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Field of the Invention

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The present invention relates to isolated DNA molecules corresponding to the open reading frames in the conserved effector loci and exchangeable effector loci of the *Pseudomonas syringae*, the isolated proteins encoded thereby, and their various uses.

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Background of the Invention

The plant pathogenic bacterium *Pseudomonas syringae* is noted for its diverse and host-specific interactions with plants (Hirano and Upper, 1990). A specific strain may be assigned to one of at least 40 pathovars based on its host range among different plant species and then further assigned to a race based on differential interactions among cultivars of the host. In host plants the bacteria typically grow to high population levels in leaf intercellular spaces and then produce necrotic lesions. In nonhost plants or in host plants with race-specific resistance, the bacteria elicit the hypersensitive response (HR), a rapid, defense-associated programmed death of plant cells in contact with the pathogen (Alfano and Collmer, 1997). The ability to produce either of these reactions in plants appears to be directed by *hrp* (HR and pathogenicity) and *hrc* (HR and conserved) genes that encode a type III protein secretion pathway and by *avr* (avirulence) and *hop* (Hrp-dependent outer protein) genes that encode effector proteins injected into plant cells by the pathway (Alfano and Collmer, 1997). These effectors may also betray the parasite to the HR-triggering

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R-gene surveillance system of potential hosts (hence the avr designation), and plant breeding for resistance based on such gene-for-gene (avr-R) interactions may produce complex combinations of races and differential cultivars (Keen, 1990). hrp/hrc genes are probably universal among necrosis-causing gram-negative plant pathogens, and they have been sequenced in P. syringae pv. syringae (Psy) 61, Erwinia amylovora Ea321, Xanthomonas campestris pv. vesicatoria (Xcv) 85-10, and Ralstonia solanacearum GMI1000 (Alfano and Collmer, 1997). Based on their distinct gene arrangements and regulatory components, the hrp/hrc gene clusters of these four bacteria can be divided into two groups: I (Pseudomonas and Erwinia) and II (Xanthomonas and Ralstonia). The discrepancy between the distribution of these groups and the phylogeny of the bacteria provides some evidence that hrp/hrc gene clusters have been horizontally acquired and, therefore, may represent pathogenicity islands (Pais) (Alfano and Collmer, 1997).

Pais have been defined as gene clusters that (i) include many virulence genes, (ii) are selectively present in pathogenic strains, (iii) have different G+C 15 content compared to host bacteria DNA, (iv) occupy large chromosomal regions, (v) are often flanked by direct repeats, (vi) are bordered by tRNA genes and/or cryptic mobile genetic elements, and (vii) are unstable (Hacker et al., 1997). Some Pais have inserted into different genomic locations in the same species (Wieler et al., 1997). Others reveal a mosaic structure indicative of multiple horizontal acquisitions (Hensel 20 et al., 1999). Genes encoding type III secretion systems are present in Pais in animal pathogenic Salmonella spp. and Pseudomonas aeruginosa and on large plasmids in Yersinia and Shigella spp. Genes encoding effectors secreted by the pathway in these organisms are commonly linked to the pathway genes (Hueck, 1998), although a noteworthy exception is sopE, which is carried by a temperate phage without apparent 25 linkage to SPI1 in certain isolates of S. typhimurium (Mirold et al., 1999). Three avr/hop genes have already been shown to be linked to the hrp/hrc cluster in P. syringae: avrE and several other Hrp-regulated transcriptional units are linked to the hrpR border of the hrp cluster in P. syringae pv tomato (Pto) DC3000 (Lorang and Keen, 1995); avrPphE is adjacent to hrpY (hrpK) in Pseudomonas phaseolicola (Pph) 30 1302A (Mansfield et al., 1994); and hopPsyA (hrmA) is adjacent to hrpK in Psy 61 (Heu and Hutcheson, 1993). Other Pseudomonas avr genes are located elsewhere in

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the genome or on plasmids (Leach and White, 1996), including a plasmid-borne group of avr genes described as a Pai in Pph 1449B (Jackson et al., 1999).

Because Avr, Hop, Hrp, and Hrc proteins represent promising therapeutic treatments in both plants and animals, it would be desirable to identify other proteins encoded by the Pai's in pathogenic bacteria and identify uses for those proteins.

The present invention overcomes these deficiencies in the art.

Summary of the Invention

One aspect of the present invention relates to isolated nucleic acid molecules (i) encoding proteins or polypeptides of *Pseudomonas* Conserved Effector Loci ("CEL") and Exchangeable Effector Loci ("EEL") genomic regions, (ii) nucleic acid molecules which hybridize thereto under stringent conditions, or (iii) nucleic acid molecules that include a nucleotide sequence which is complementary to the nucleic acid molecules of (i) and (ii). Expression vectors, host cells, and transgenic plants which include the DNA molecules of the present invention are also disclosed. Methods of making such host cells and transgenic plant are disclosed.

A further aspect of the present invention relates to isolated proteins or polypeptides encoded by the nucleic acid molecules of the present invention.

Compositions which contain the proteins are also disclosed.

Yet another aspect of the present invention relates to methods of imparting disease resistance to a plant. According to one approach, this method is carried out by transforming a plant cell with a heterologous DNA molecule of the present invention and regenerating a transgenic plant from the transformed plant cell, wherein the transgenic plant expresses the heterologous DNA molecule under conditions effective to impart disease resistance. According to another approach, this method is carried out by treating a plant with a protein or polypeptide of the present invention under conditions effective to impart disease resistance to the treated plant.

A still further aspect of the present invention relates to a method of making a plant hypersusceptible to colonization by nonpathogenic bacteria.

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transgenic plant from the transformed plant cell, wherein the transgenic plant expresses the heterologous DNA molecule under conditions effective to render the transgenic plant hypersusceptible to colonization by nonpathogenic bacteria. According to an alternative approach, this method is carried out by treating a plant with a protein or polypeptide of the present invention under conditions effective to render the treated plant susceptible to colonization by nonpathogenic bacteria.

Another aspect of the present invention relates to a method of causing eukaryotic cell death by introducing into a eukaryotic cell a cytotoxic *Pseudomonas* protein, where the introducing is performed under conditions effective to cause cell death.

A further aspect of the present invention relates to a method of treating a cancerous condition by introducing a cytotoxic *Pseudomonas* protein into cancer cells of a patient under conditions effective to cause death of cancer cells, thereby treating the cancerous condition.

The benefits of the present invention result from three factors. First, there is substantial and growing evidence that phytopathogen effector proteins have evolved to elicit exquisite changes in eukaryote metabolism at extremely low levels, and at least some of these activities are potentially relevant to mammals and other organisms in addition to plants. For example, ORF5 in the *Psy* B728a EEL is similar to *Xanthomonas campestris* pv. *vesicatoria* AvrBsT, a phytopathogen protein that appears to have the same active site as its animal pathogen homolog YopJ, which inhibits mammalian MAPKK defense signaling (Orth et al., 2000). Second, the *P. syringae* CEL and EEL regions are enriched in effector protein genes, which makes these regions fertile targets for effector gene bioprospecting. Third, rapidly developing technologies for delivering genes and proteins into plant and animal cells improve the efficacy of protein-based therapies.

Brief Description of the Drawings

Figure 1 is a diagram illustrating the conserved arrangement of *hrp/hrc* genes within the Hrp Pais of *Psy* 61, *Psy* B728a, and *Pto* DC3000. Regions sequenced in B728a and DC3000 are indicated by lines beneath the strain 61 sequence. Known regulatory genes are shaded. Arrows indicate the direction of

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transcription, with small boxes denoting the presence of a Hrp box. The triangle denotes the 3.6-kb insert with phage genes in the B728a *hrp/hrc* region.

Figures 2A-C show the EEL of *Pto* DC3000, *Psy* B728a, and *Psy* 61, the *tgt-queA*-tRNA^{Leu} locus in *P. aeruginosa* (*Pa*), and EEL border sequences. Figure 2A is a diagram of the EELs of three *P. syringae* strains shown aligned by their *hrpK* sequences and are compared with the *tgt-queA*-tRNA^{Leu} locus in *Pa* PA01. Arrows indicate the direction of transcription, with small boxes denoting the presence of a Hrp box. Shaded regions are conserved, striped regions denote mobile genetic elements, and open boxes denote genes that are completely dissimilar from each other. Figure 2B is an alignment of the sequences of the DC3000 (DC) (SEQ. ID. No. 85), B728a (B7) (SEQ. ID. No. 86), and 61 (SEQ. ID. No. 87) EELs at the border with tRNA^{Leu}, with conserved nucleotides shown in upper case. Figure 2C is an alignment of the sequences of the DC3000 (DC) (SEQ. ID. No. 88), B728a (B7) (SEQ. ID. No. 89), and 61 (SEQ. ID. No. 90) EELs at the border with *hrpK*, with conserved nucleotides shown in upper case.

Figure 3 is a diagram illustrating the Hrp Pai CEL of *P. syringae*. The *Pto* DC3000 CEL is shown with the corresponding fragments of *Psy* B728a that were sequenced aligned below. The nucleotide identity of the sequenced fragments in coding regions ranged from 72% to 83%. Arrows indicate the direction of transcription, with small boxes denoting the presence of a Hrp box.

Figures 4A-E illustrate the plant interaction phenotypes of *Pto* mutants carrying deletions of the EEL (CUCPB5110) and CEL (CUCPB5115). Figure 14A is a graph illustrating growth in tomato of DC3000 and CUCPB5110 (mean and SD). Figure 14B is a graph illustrating growth in tomato of DC3000, CUCPB5115, and CUCPB5115(pCPP3016) (mean and SD). Figure 14C is an image showing HR collapse in tobacco leaf tissue 24 h after infiltration with 10⁷ cfu/ml of DC3000 and CUCPB5115. Figure 14D is an image showing the absence of disease symptoms in tomato leaf 4 days after inoculation with 10⁴ cfu/ml of CUCPB5115. Figure 14E is an image showing disease symptoms typical of wild-type in tomato leaf 4 days after inoculation with 10⁴ cfu/ml of CUCPB5115(pCPP3016).

Figure 5 is an image of the immunoblot analysis showing AvrPto secretion by *Pto* DC3000 derivatives with deletions affecting the three major regions

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of the Hrp Pai. Bacteria were grown in Hrp-inducing minimal medium at pH 5.5 and 22° C to an OD₆₀₀ of 0.35 and then separated into cell-bound (C) and supernatant (S) fractions by centrifugation. Proteins were then resolved by SDS-PAGE, blotted, and immunostained with antibodies against AvrPto and β -lactamase as described (Manceau and Harvais, 1997), except that supernatant fractions were concentrated 3-fold relative to cell-bound fractions before loading. *Pto* DC3000, CUCPB5115 (CEL deletion), CUCPB5114 (hrp/hrc deletion), and CUCPB5110 (EEL deletion) all carried pCPP2318, which expresses β -lactamase without a signal peptide as a cytoplasmic marker.

Figures 6A-B illustrate, enlarged as compared to Figure 1, the organization of the *shcA* and *hopPsyA* operon in the EEL of the Hrp Pai of *Psy* 61. In Figure 6A, the *shcA* and *hopPsyA* are depicted as white boxes. At the border of the Hrp Pai are the *tRNA*^{Leu} and *queA* genes depicted as gray boxes. A 5' truncated *hrpK* gene is represented as a hatched box. The arrows indicate the predicted direction of transcription and the black box denotes the presence of a putative HrpL-dependent promoter upstream of *shcA*. Figure 6B illustrates schematically the construction of the deletion mutation in the *shcA* ORF marker-exchanged into *Psy* 61. Black bars depict regions that were amplified along with added restriction enzyme sites and each are aligned with the corresponding DNA region represented in Figure 6A. The striped box depicts the *nptII* cassette that lacks transcriptional and translational terminators used in making the functionally nonpolar *shcA Psy* 61 mutant. *EcoRI*, E; *EcoRV*, V; *XbaI*, X; and *XhoI*, Xh.

Figure 7 is an image of an immunoblot showing that *shcA* encodes a protein product. pLV9 is a derivative of pFLAG-CTC in which the *shcA* ORF is cloned and fused to the FLAG epitope and translation is directed by a vector ribosome binding site (RBS). pLV26 contains an amplified product containing the *shcA* coding region and its native RBS site. Cultures of *E. coli* DH5α carrying either pFLAG-CTC (Control), pLV9, or pLV26 were grown to an OD₆₀₀ of 0.8 and then 100 μl aliquots were taken, centrifuged, resuspended in SDS-PAGE buffer, and then subjected to SDS-PAGE and immunoblot analysis with anti-FLAG antibodies and secondary antibodies conjugated with alkaline phosphatase.

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Figure 8 is an image of an immunoblot showing that *Psy* 61 *shcA* mutant UNLV102 does not secrete HopPsyA and *shcA* provided *in trans* complements this defect. *Psy* 61 cultures were grown at 22°C in *hrp*-derepressing medium and separated into cell-bound (C) and supernatant fractions (S). The cell-bound fractions were concentrated 13.4-fold and the supernatant fractions were concentrated 100-fold relative to the initial culture volumes. The samples were subjected to SDS-PAGE and immunoblot analysis, and HopPsyA and β-lactamase (Bla) were detected with either anti-HopPsyA or anti-β-lactamase antibodies followed by secondary antibodies conjugated to alkaline phosphatase as described in the experimental procedures. The image of the immunoblot was captured using the Bio-Rad Gel Doc 2000 UV fluorescent gel documentation system with the accompanying Quantity 1 software.

Figure 9 is an image of an immunoblot showing that *shcA* is required for the type III secretion of HopPsyA, but not secretion of HrpZ. *P. fluorescens* 55 cultures were grown in *hrp*-derepressing medium and separated into cell-bound (C) and supernatant (S) fractions. The cell-bound fractions were concentrated 13.4-fold and the supernatant fractions were concentrated 100-fold relative to the initial culture volumes. The samples were subjected to SDS-PAGE and immunoblot analysis, and HopPsyA and HrpZ were detected with either anti-HopPsyA or anti-HrpZ antibodies followed by secondary antibodies conjugated to alkaline phosphatase as described in experimental procedures. The image of the immunoblot was captured using the Bio-Rad Gel Doc 2000 UV fluorescent gel documentation system with the accompanying Quantity 1 software.

Figure 10 is a series of four images of tobacco leaves showing that *P*.

25 fluorescens 55 carrying a pHIR11 derivative with a functionally nonpolar shcA mutation is impaired in its ability to translocate HopPsyA into plant cells. *P*.

fluorescens 55 cultures were grown overnight in King's B and suspended in 5 mM MES pH 5.6 to an OD₆₀₀ of 1.0, and infiltrated into tobacco leaf panels. Because the pHIR11-induced HR is due to the translocation of HopPsyA inside plant cells, a

30 reduced HR indicates that HopPsyA is not delivered well enough to induce a typical HR. The leaf panels were photographed with incident light 24 hours later.

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Figure 11 is an image of an immunoblot showing that ShcA binds to HopPsyA. Soluble protein samples from sonicated cultures (Sonicate) of *Psy* 61 *shcA* mutant UNLV102 carrying pLN1 (HopPsyA) or pLN2 (ShcA-FLAG, HopPsyA) were mixed with anti-FLAG M2 affinity gel (Gel). The gel was washed (Wash) with TBS buffer, mixed with SDS-PAGE buffer, and subjected to SDS-PAGE and immunoblot analysis along with the sonicate and wash samples. HopPsyA and ShcA-FLAG were detected with anti-HopPsyA or anti-FLAG antibodies followed by secondary antibodies conjugated to alkaline phosphatase as described in experimental procedures.

Figure 12 is a diagram illustrating the spindle checkpoint in *S. cerevisiae*. The spindle checkpoint is activated by a signal emitted from the kinetochores when there are abnormalities with the microtubules. This signal is somehow received by the spindle checkpoint components, which respond in a variety of ways. Mad2 is thought to bind to Cdc20 at the APC inhibiting its ubiquitin ligase activity. In the absence of Mad2 (and presumably damage to the spindle), the APC is active and it marks Pds1 and other inhibitors of anaphase for degradation via the ubiquitin proteolysis pathway; anaphase ensues.

Figures 13A-B illustrate the effects of transgenically expressed HopPsyA on *Nicotiana tabacum* cv. Xanthi, *Nicotiana benthamiana*, and *Arabidopsis thaliana*. Figure 13A shows *N. tabacum* cv. Xanthi and *N. benthamiana* leaves infiltrated with *Agrobacterium tumefaciens* GV3101 with or without pTA7002::*hopPsyA*. Figure 13B illustrates *Arabidopsis thaliana* Col-1 infiltrated with *A. tumefaciens* +/- pTA7002::*hopPsyA*. For all plants shown in Figures 13A-B, 48 h after *Agrobacterium* infiltration, plants were sprayed with the glucocorticoid dexamethasone (DEX). Images were collected 24 h after DEX treatment. *A.t.* = *Agrobacterium tumefaciens*; pA = pTA7002::*hopPsyA*.

Figure 14 is an image of an SDS-PAGE which shows the distribution of HopPsyA and β-lactamase in cultures of *Psy* 61 (pCPP2318) or a *hrp* mutant, *Psy* 61-2089 (pCPP2318). Bacterial cultures were grown at 22°C in *hrp*-depressing medium and separated into cell-bound (C) and supernatant fractions (S). The cell-bound fractions were concentrated 13.4 fold, and the supernatant fractions were concentrated 100 fold relative to initial culture volumes. The samples were subjected

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to SDS-PAGE and immunoblot analysis and HopPsyA and β -lactamase were detected with either anti- HopPsyA or anti- β -lactamase antibodies followed by secondary antibodies conjugated to alkaline phosphatase. *Pss* wild-type = *Pseudomonas syringae* pv. syringae 61 (pCPP2318); *Pss hrcC* = *Pseudomonas syringae* pv. syringae 61-2089 (pCPP2318).

Figure 15 is a graph illustrating the ability of wild-type *Pseudomonas* syringae pv. syringae and a hopPsyA mutant to multiply in bean leaves. Values represent the average plate counts from crushed plant leaves of two independent inoculations. Wild-type (•), *Pseudomonas syringae* pv. syringae 61; hopPsyA mutant (O), *Pseudomonas syringae* pv. syringae 61-2070.

Figures 16A-B illustrate the interaction of HopPsyA and Mad2 in a yeast two-hybrid assay. Figure 16A illustrates cultures of yeast EGY48 strains containing either pLV24 (pEG202:: 'hopPsyA') and pJG4-5 (fish-vector), pLV24 and pLV116 (pJG4-5::mad2), or pEG202 (bait vector) and pLV116 on medium containing 5-bromo-4-chloro-3-indolyl-β-D-galactopyranoside (Xgal) to check for β-galactosidase activity with either glucose (Glc) or galactose (Gal). β-galactosidase activity was indicated only in the presence of both HopPsyA and Mad2. Figure 16B illustrates cultures of the same yeast strains on minimal medium leucine dropout plates with either Glc or Gal sugars. 1 = EGY48 (pLV24, pJG4-5); 2 = EGY48 (pLV24, pLV116); 3 = EGY48 (pEG202, pLV116).

Detailed Description of the Invention

A DNA molecule which contains the CEL of *Pseudomonas syringae* pv. tomato DC3000 has a nucleotide sequence (SEQ. ID. No. 1) as follows:

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Several undefined nucleotides exist in SEQ. ID. No. 1, however these appear to be present in intergenic regions. The CEL of *Pseudomonas syringae* pv. tomato DC3000 contains a number of open reading frames (ORFs). Two of the products encoded by the CEL are HrpW and AvrE, both of which are known. An additional 10 products are produced by ORF1-10, respectively, as shown in Figure 3. The nucleotide sequences for a number of these ORFs and their encoded protein or polypeptide products are provided below.

The DNA molecule of *ORF3* from the *Pseudomonas syringae* pv. tomato DC3000 CEL has a nucleotide sequence (SEQ. ID. No. 2) as follows:

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atgatcagtt cgcggatcgg cggggccggt ggcgtcaaac tcagccgggt aaaccagcag 60 cacgatactg ttcccgcca gacagctcac ccaaatgcag tcactgcagg catgaatcg 120 ccgctgactc ccgatcagtc agggtcacac gcgacagaaa gctcgtctgc cggcggggg 180 cggctgaatg tcgcggcgg acacacacag cttttgcagg ccttcaaggc tgagcatggg 240 acggctccgg tcagcggcg ccgatgatc agttcgcgtg ctgcgttgtt gatcggtagt 300 ctgctgcagg ccgagcettt gccttttgaa gtcatggccg agaaattgtc tcctgagcgc 360 tatcaactga agcagtttca gggctcggac ttgcagcagc ggctggaaaa attcgcccag 420
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ccgggtcaga taccggataa agccgaggtc gggcaactga tcaagggttt tgctcagtcg 480
     gtcgctgatc aactggagca ctttcaactg atgcatgacg cttcgcccgc aacggtaggc 540
     cagcatgcaa aagcggacaa ggcgacgctt gccgtcagtc agactgccct tggcgaatac 600
     gccggtcgtg caagcaaggc aatcggcgaa ggcctgagca acagcatcgc gtcgctggat 660
5
     gagcacatca gtgcgctgga tctcactctg caagatgccg aacagggcaa caaggagtct 720
     ctgcacgctg acaggcaggc gctggtcgac gccaaaacca ccctggtagg tttgcacgcc 780
     gatttcgtca agtcgccgga ggccaagcgc cttgcttcgg tcgccgcaca tacgcaactg 840
     gacaacgtcg tcagcgatct cgtcactgcc cgtaacacgg tgggtggctg gaaaggtgca 900
     gggccgattg tcgcggctgc ggttccgcag ttcttgtctt caatgacaca cttgggttat 960
     gtgcgtttgt ccaccagcga caagctgcga gacacgattc ccgagaccag cagcgacgcc 1020
10
     aacatgctca aggcttcgat aatcgggatg gtggcgggca ttgctcacga gacggtcaac 1080
     agcgtggtca agccgatgtt tcaggccgcc ttgcagaaga ctggcctcaa cgaacgcctg 1140
     aacatggtgc caatgaaggc tgtggatacc aatacggtta ttcctgaccc cttcgagctg 1200
     aaaagcgaac acggtgagct ggtcaaaaaa acgcccgagg aagtcgctca ggacaaggcg 1260
     ttcgtgaaaa gtgaacgcgc gctgctgaac cagaagaagg ttcagggttc gtccacccat 1320
15
     ccggtaggtg agctgatggc ttacagtgcc ttcggtggtt ctcaggctgt gcgccagatg 1380
     ctcaacgatg ttcaccagat caatgggcag acgctgagtg caagagctct ggcatccggt 1440
     tttggcgggg cggtgtctgc cagttcgcaa acgctgctgc aattgaagtc gaattatgtc 1500
     gacccgcaag ggcgcaaaat tccggtattt accccggacc gcgccgagag cgatctgaaa 1560
20
     aaggacctgc tcaaaggtat ggacctgegc gagccgtegg tacgcaccac gttctacagc 1620
     aaggetettt egggtattea gagttetgea etgaeetegg eaetgeegee tgtgaeeget 1680
     caggetgaag gegeaagtgg caegeteagt gegggggeta ttttgegeaa catggeeetg 1740
     gcagcgacgg gttcggtgtc ctatctgtcc acgttgtaca ccaaccagtc ggttaccgca 1800
     gaagccaagg cgttgaaagc ggcaggcatg ggcggtgcaa cacctatgct ggaccgtacc 1860
25
     gagacgcttt ga
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The protein or polypeptide encoded by *Pto* DC3000 CEL *ORF3* has an amino acid sequence (SEQ. ID. No. 3) as follows:

30	Mod	T] ^	Ser	Cox	7 ~~	T10	C1.,	C1.77	71 a	Gly	G] v	l eV	Tare	T.e.11	Ser	Ara
	Met 1	TTE	ser	ser	A19 5	TTE	GTÀ	СТУ	AIa	10	GLY	vai	БуБ	БСи	15	1119
35	Val	Asn	Gln	Gln 20	His	Asp	Thr	Val	Pro 25	Ala	Gln	Thr	Ala	His 30	Pro	Asn
	Ala	Val	Thr 35	Ala	Gly	Met	Asn	Pro 40	Pro	Leu	Thr	Pro	Asp 45	Gln	Ser	Gly
40	Ser	His 50	Ala	Thr	Glu	Ser	Ser 55	Ser	Ala	Gly	Ala	Ala 60	Arg	Leu	Asn	Val
15	Ala 65	Ala	Arg	His	Thr	Gln 70	Leu	Leu	Gln	Ala	Phe 75	Lys	Ala	Glu	His	Gly 80
45	Thr	Ala	Pro	Val	Ser 85	Gly	Ala	Pro	Met	Ile 90	Ser	Ser	Arg	Ala	Ala 95	Leu
50	Leu	Ile	Gly	Ser 100	Leu	Leu	Gln	Ala	Glu 105	Pro	Leu	Pro	Phe	Glu 110	Val	Met
	Ala	Glu	Lys 115	Leu	Ser	Pro	Glu	Arg 120	Tyr	Gln	Leu	Lys	Gln 125	Phe	Gln	Gly
55	Ser	Asp 130	Leu	Gln	Gln	Arg	Leu 135	Glu	Lys	Phe	Ala	Gln 140	Pro	Gly	Gln	Ile
60	Pro 145		Lys	Ala	Glu	Val 150	Gly	Gln	Leu	Ile	Lys 155	Gly	Phe	Ala	Gln	Ser 160
60	Val	Ala	Asp	Gln	Leu 165	Glu	His	Phe	Gln	Leu 170	Met	His	Asp	Ala	Ser 175	Pro

	Ala	Thr	Val	Gly 180	Gln	His	Ala	Lys	Ala 185	Asp	Lys	Ala	Thr	Leu 190	Ala	Val
5	Ser	Gln	Thr 195	Ala	Leu	Gly	Glu	Tyr 200	Ala	Gly	Arg	Ala	Ser 205	Lys	Ala	Ile
	Gly	Glu 210	Gly	Leu	Ser	Asn	Ser 215	Ile	Ala	Ser	Leu	Asp 220	Glu	His	Ile	Ser
10	Ala 225	Leu	Asp	Leu	Thr	Leu 230	Gln	Asp	Ala	Glu	Gln 235	Gly	Asn	Lys	Glu	Ser 240
15	Leu	His	Ala	Asp	Arg 245	Gln	Ala	Leu	Val	Asp 250	Ala	Lys	Thr	Thr	Leu 255	Val
	Gly	Leu	His	Ala 260	Asp	Phe	Val	Lys	Ser 265	Pro	Glu	Ala	Lys	Arg 270	Leu	Ala
20	Ser	Val	Ala 275	Ala	His	Thr	Gln	Leu 280	Asp	Asn	Val	Val	Ser 285	Asp	Leu	Val
	Thr	Ala 290	Arg	Asn	Thr	Val	Gly 295	Gly	Trp	Lys	Gly	Ala 300	Gly	Pro	Ile	Val
25	Ala 305	Ala	Ala	Val	Pro	Gln 310	Phe	Leu	Ser	Ser	Met 315	Thr	His	Leu	Gly	Tyr 320
30	Val	Arg	Leu	Ser	Thr 325	Ser	Asp	Lys	Leu	Arg 330	Asp	Thr	Ile	Pro	Glu 335	Thr
20	Ser	Ser	Asp	Ala 340	Asn	Met	Leu	Lys	Ala 345	Ser	Ile	Ile	Gly	Met 350	Val	Ala
35	Gly	Ile	Ala 355	His	Glu	Thr	Val	Asn 360	Ser	Val	Val	Lys	Pro 365	Met	Phe	Gln
	Ala	Ala 370	Leu	Gln	Lys	Thr	Gly 375	Leu	Asn	Glu	Arg	Leu 380	Asn	Met	Val	Pro
40	Met 385	Lys	Ala	Val	Asp	Thr 390	Asn	Thr	Val	Ile	Pro 395	Asp	Pro	Phe	Glu	Leu 400
45	Lys	Ser	Glu	His	Gly 405	Glu	Leu	Val	Lys	Lys 410	Thr	Pro	Glu	Glu	Val 415	Ala
	Gln	Asp	Lys	Ala 420	Phe	Val	Lys	Ser	Glu 425	Arg	Ala	Leu	Leu	Asn 430	Gln	Lys
50	Lys	Val	Gln 435	Gly	Ser	Ser	Thr	His 440	Pro	Val	Gly	Glu	Leu 445	Met	Ala	Tyr
	Ser	Ala 450	Phe	Gly	Gly	Ser	Gln 455	Ala	Val	Arg	Gln	Met 460	Leu	Asn	Asp	Val
55	His 465	Gln	Ile	Asn	Gly	Gln 470	Thr	Leu	Ser	Ala	Arg 475	Ala	Leu	Ala	Ser	Gly 480
60	Phe	Gly	Gly	Ala	Val 485	Ser	Ala	Ser	Ser	Gln 490	Thr	Leu	Leu	Gln	Leu 495	Lys
	Ser	Asn	Tyr	Val 500	Asp	Pro	Gln	Gly	Arg 505	Lys	Ile	Pro	Val	Phe 510	Thr	Pro
65	Asp	Arg	Ala 515	Glu	Ser	Asp	Leu	Lys 520	Lys	Asp	Leu	Leu	Lys 525	Gly	Met	Asp

	Leu Arg Glu Pro Ser Val Arg Thr Thr Phe Tyr Ser Lys Ala Leu Ser 530 535 540														
5	Gly Ile Gln Ser Ser Ala Leu Thr Ser Ala Leu Pro Pro Val Thr Ala 545 550 560														
10	Gln Ala Glu Gly Ala Ser Gly Thr Leu Ser Ala Gly Ala Ile Leu Arg 565 570 575														
10	Asn Met Ala Leu Ala Ala Thr Gly Ser Val Ser Tyr Leu Ser Thr Leu 580 585 590														
15	Tyr Thr Asn Gln Ser Val Thr Ala Glu Ala Lys Ala Leu Lys Ala Ala 595 600 605														
	Gly Met Gly Gly Ala Thr Pro Met Leu Asp Arg Thr Glu Thr Leu 610 615 620														
20	The DNA molecule of <i>ORF4</i> from the <i>Pseudomonas syringae</i> pv.														
	tomato DC3000 CEL has a nucleotide sequence (SEQ. ID. No. 4) as follows:														
25	ctgcagtttc aggaccgcga cgaaggccgt gccgttctga tctacggtga catgggcgcg 180 ttgcccgcgc gcggccgtga gagcgcgttg ctggcgttga tggacatcaa ctttcacatg 240 ttcgcgggcg cccacagccc ggcattttcc tttaatgcgc agaccggtcg tgtgctgctg 300														
30	ttegegggeg cecacagee ggeattitee titaatgege agaceggteg tgtgetgetg 300 atgggetetg tggeeettga acgageetet geegaaggeg tgetgttgtt gatgaagteg 360 tttteegace tggecaaaga gtggegegag catggattea tggggeagge cacaactgea 420 ggeteetega eggaceaace tgttgeeeca geageeaaac gegagageet tteggeteet 480 gggagattee aatga 495														
35	The protein or polypeptide encoded by Pto DC3000 CEL ORF4 has an amino acid														
	sequence (SEQ. ID. No. 5) as follows:														
	Met Thr Asn Asn Asp Gln Tyr His Thr Leu Ile Asn Glu Ile Cys Ala 1 5 10 15														
40	Leu Ser Leu Ile Ser Thr Pro Glu Arg Phe Tyr Glu Ser Ala Asn Phe 20 25 30														
45	Lys Ile Ser Glu Val Asp Phe Thr Leu Gln Phe Gln Asp Arg Asp Glu 35 40 45														
	Gly Arg Ala Val Leu Ile Tyr Gly Asp Met Gly Ala Leu Pro Ala Arg 50 55 60														
50	Gly Arg Glu Ser Ala Leu Leu Ala Leu Met Asp Ile Asn Phe His Met 65 70 75 80														
55	Phe Ala Gly Ala His Ser Pro Ala Phe Ser Phe Asn Ala Gln Thr Gly 85 90 95														
33	Arg Val Leu Leu Met Gly Ser Val Ala Leu Glu Arg Ala Ser Ala Glu 100 105 110														

Gly Val Leu Leu Leu Met Lys Ser Phe Ser Asp Leu Ala Lys Glu Trp 115 120 125

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Arg Glu His Gly Phe Met Gly Gln Ala Thr Thr Ala Gly Ser Ser Thr 130 135 140

Asp Gln Pro Val Ala Pro Ala Ala Lys Arg Glu Ser Leu Ser Ala Pro 145 150 155 160

Gly Arg Phe Gln
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The DNA molecule of *ORF5* from the *Pseudomonas syringae* pv. tomato DC3000 CEL has a nucleotide sequence (SEQ. ID. No. 6) as follows:

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     atgcacatca accgacgcgt ccaacaaccg cctgtgactg cgacggatag ctttcggaca 60
     gcgtccgacg cgtctcttgc ctccagctct gtgcgatctg tcagctccga tcagcaacgc 120
     gagataaatg cgattgccga ttacctgaca gatcatgtgt tcgctgcgca taaactgccg 180
     ccggccgatt cggctgatgg ccaagctgca gttgacgtac acaatgcgca gatcactgcg 240
     ctgatcgaga cgcgcccag ccgcctgcac ttcgaagggg aaaccccggc aaccatcgcc 300
20
     gacacetteg ecaaggegga aaagetegae egattggega egaetaeate aggegegttg 360
     cgggcgacgc cctttgccat ggcctcgttg cttcagtaca tgcagcctgc gatcaacaag 420
     ggcgattggc tgccggctcc gctcaaaccg ctgaccccgc tcatttccgg agcgctgtcg 480
     ggcgccatgg accaggtggg caccaagatg atggaccgcg cgacgggtga tctgcattac 540
     ctgagcgcct cgccggacag gctccacgat gcgatggccg cttcggtgaa gcgccactcg 600
25
     ccaaqccttq ctcgacaggt tctggacacg ggggttgcgg ttcagacgta ctcggcgcgc 660
     aacgccgtac gtaccgtatt ggctccggca ctggcgtcca gacccgccgt gcagggtgct 720
     gtggaccttg gtgtatcgat ggcgggtggt ctggctgcca acgcaggctt tggcaaccgc 780
     ctgctcagtg tgcagtcgcg tgatcaccag cgtggcggtg cattagtgct cggtttgaag 840
     gataaagagc ccaaggctca actgagcgaa gaaaacgact ggctcgaggc ttataaagca 900
     atcaaatcgg ccagctactc gggtgcggcg ctcaacgctg gcaagcggat ggccggtctg 960
30
     ccactggata tggcgaccga cgcaatgggt gcggtaagaa gcctggtgtc agcgtccagc 1020
     ctgacccaaa acggtctggc cctggcgggt ggctttgcag gggtaggcaa gttgcaggag 1080
     atggcgacga aaaatatcac cgacccggcg accaaggccg cggtcagtca gttgaccaac 1140
     ctggcaggtt cggcagccgt tttcgcaggc tggaccacgg ccgcgctgac aaccgatccc 1200
35
     gcggtgaaaa aagccgagtc gttcatacag gacacggtga aatcgactgc atccagtacc 1260
     acaggetacg tageegacca gacegteaaa etggegaaga eegteaaaga eatgggeggg 1320
     gaggcgatca cccataccgg cgccagcttg cgcaatacgg tcaataacct gcgtcaacgc 1380
      ccggctcgtg aagctgatat agaagagggg ggcacggcgg cttctccaag tgaaataccg 1440
      tttcggccta tgcggtcgta a
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The protein or polypeptide encoded by *Pto* DC3000 CEL *ORF5*, now known as HopPtoA, has an amino acid sequence (SEQ. ID. No. 7) as follows:

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45 Met His Ile Asn Arg Arg Val Gln Gln Pro Pro Val Thr Ala Thr Asp 15

Ser Phe Arg Thr Ala Ser Asp Ala Ser Leu Ala Ser Ser Ser Val Arg 30

Ser Val Ser Ser Asp Gln Gln Arg Glu Ile Asn Ala Ile Ala Asp Tyr 45

Leu Thr So Asp His Val Phe Ala Ala His Lys Leu Pro Pro Ala Asp Ser Ser Ser Asp Ser 55

Ala Asp Gly Gln Ala Ala Val Asp Val His Asn Ala Gln Ile Thr Ala 80
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	Leu	Ile	Glu	Thr	Arg 85	Ala	Ser	Arg	Leu	His 90	Phe	Glu	Gly	Glu	Thr 95	Pro
5	Ala	Thr	Ile	Ala 100	Asp	Thr	Phe	Ala	Lys 105	Ala	Glu	Lys	Leu	Asp 110	Arg	Leu
	Ala	Thr	Thr 115	Thr	Ser	Gly	Ala	Leu 120	Arg	Ala	Thr	Pro	Phe 125	Ala	Met	Ala
10	Ser	Leu 130	Leu	Gln	Tyr	Met	Gln 135	Pro	Ala	Ile	Asn	Lys 140	Gly	Asp	Trp	Leu
15	Pro 145	Ala	Pro	Leu	Lys	Pro 150	Leu	Thr	Pro	Leu	Ile 155	Ser	Gly	Ala	Leu	Ser 160
13	Gly	Ala	Met	Asp	Gln 165	Val	Gly	Thr	Lys	Met 170	Met	Asp	Arg	Ala	Thr 175	Gly
20	Asp	Leu	His	Tyr 180	Leu	Ser	Ala	Ser	Pro 185	Asp	Arg	Leu	His	Asp 190	Ala	Met
	Ala	Ala	Ser 195	Val	Lys	Arg	His	Ser 200	Pro	Ser	Leu	Ala	Arg 205	Gln	Val	Leu
25	Asp	Thr 210	Gly	Val	Ala	Val	Gln 215	Thr	Tyr	Ser	Ala	Arg 220	Asn	Ala	Val	Arg
30	Thr 225	Val	Leu	Ala	Pro	Ala 230	Leu	Ala	Ser	Arg	Pro 235	Ala	Val	Gln	Gly	Ala 240
	Val	Asp	Leu	Gly	Val 245	Ser	Met	Ala	Gly	Gly 250	Leu	Ala	Ala	Asn	Ala 255	Gly
35	Phe	Gly	Asn	Arg 260	Leu	Leu	Ser	Val	Gln 265	Ser	Arg	Asp	His	Gln 270	Arg	Gly
	Gly	Ala	Leu 275	Val	Leu	Gly	Leu	Lys 280	Asp	Lys	Glu	Pro	Lys 285	Ala	Gln	Leu
40	Ser	Glu 290	Glu	Asn	Asp	Trp	Leu 295	Glu	Ala	Tyr	Lys	Ala 300	Ile	Lys	Ser	Ala
45	Ser 305	Tyr	Ser	Gly	Ala	Ala 310	Leu	Asn	Ala	Gly	Lys 315	Arg	Met	Ala	Gly	Leu 320
	Pro	Leu	Asp	Met	Ala 325	Thr	Asp	Ala	Met	Gly 330	Ala	Val	Arg	Ser	Leu 335	Val
50	Ser	Ala	Ser	Ser 340	Leu	Thr	Gln	Asn	Gly 345	Leu	Ala	Leu	Ala	Gly 350	Gly	Phe
	Ala	Gly	Val 355	Gly	Lys	Leu	Gln	Glu 360	Met	Ala	Thr	Lys	Asn 365	Ile	Thr	Asp
55	Pro	Ala 370	Thr	Lys	Ala	Ala	Val 375	Ser	Gln	Leu	Thr	Asn 380	Leu	Ala	Gly	Ser
60	Ala 385	Ala	Val	Phe	Ala	Gly 390	Trp	Thr	Thr	Ala	Ala 395	Leu	Thr	Thr	Asp	Pro 400
	Ala	Val	Lys	Lys	Ala 405	Glu	Ser	Phe	Ile	Gln 410	Asp	Thr	Val	Lys	Ser 415	Thr
65	Ala	Ser	Ser	Thr 420	Thr	Gly	Tyr	Val	Ala 425	Asp	Gln	Thr	Val	Lys 430	Leu	Ala

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Lys Thr Val Lys Asp Met Gly Gly Glu Ala Ile Thr His Thr Gly Ala
435

Ser Leu Arg Asn Thr Val Asn Asn Leu Arg Gln Arg Pro Ala Arg Glu
450

Ala Asp Ile Glu Gly Gly Gly Thr Ala Ala Ser Pro Ser Glu Ile Pro
465

Phe Arg Pro Met Arg Ser
485
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The DNA molecule of *ORF6* from the *Pseudomonas syringae* pv. tomato DC3000 CEL has a nucleotide sequence (SEQ. ID. No. 8) as follows:

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atgtctggtc ctttcgagaa aaaatggcgg tgtttcaccc gaaccgtgac ctacgttggc 60
     tggtcgctgt tctggcttct gctctgggac gtggccgtca ccgtggacgt catgctgata 120
20
     qaaqqcaaaq qcatcgactt ccccctgatg cccctcacgt tgctttgctc ggcactgatc 180
     gtgctgatca gctttcgcaa ctcgagtgcc tataaccgtt ggtgggaagc gcgcaccttg 240
     tggggcgcaa tggtcaacac ttcacgcagt tttggccggc aggtactgac gctgatcgat 300
     ggcgaacggg atgacctcaa caaccctgtc aaagccatac tctttcaacg tcatgtggct 360
     tacttgcgtg ccctgcgcgc gcacctcaaa ggcgacgtca aaacagcaaa actcgacggg 420
25
     ttactqtcqc ccgacgagat tcagcgcgcc agccagagca acaacttccc caatgacatc 480
     ctcaatggct ctgctgcggt tatctcgcaa gcctttgccg ccggccagtt cgacagcatc 540
     cgtctgaccc gcctggaatc gaccatggtc gatctgtcca actgtcaggg cggcatggag 600
     cqcatcqcca acacqccact qccctacccc tacgtttatt tcccacggct gttcagcacg 660
     ctgttctgca tcctgatgcc gctgagcatg gtcaccaccc tgggctggtt caccccggcg 720
30
     atctccacgg tggtaggctg catgctgctg gcaatggacc gcatcggtac agacctgcaa 780
     qccccgttcg gcaacagtca gcaccggatc cgcatggaag acctgtgcaa caccatcgaa 840
     aagaacetge aategatgtt etettegeea gagaggeage egetgetgge tgaeetgaaa 900
     agccccgtac cgtggcgcgt ggccaacgca tcaattggcg gtctgagcag gcagaaaaac 960
     aggttagggg aaggcgcgag gcttatcgca agtgaaagtc tgctctgggc accatttcgc 1020
35
     teagttgeag acgttgetee gtgecacgee agtgegtace tacgtegege ttga
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The protein or polypeptide encoded by *Pto* DC3000 CEL *ORF6* has an amino acid sequence (SEQ. ID. No. 9) as follows:

	Ile	Leu	Phe 115	Gln	Arg	His	Val	Ala 120	Tyr	Leu	Arg	Ala	Leu 125	Arg	Ala	His
5	Leu	Lys 130	Gly	Asp	Val	Lys	Thr 135	Ala	Lys	Leu	Asp	Gly 140	Leu	Leu	Ser	Pro
10	Asp 145	Glu	Ile	Gln	Arg	Ala 150	Ser	Gln	Ser	Asn	Asn 155	Phe	Pro	Asn	Asp	Il∈ 160
	Leu	Asn	Gly	Ser	Ala 165	Ala	Val	Ile	Ser	Gln 170	Ala	Phe	Ala	Ala	Gly 175	Glr
15	Phe	Asp	Ser	Ile 180	Arg	Leu	Thr	Arg	Leu 185	Glu	Ser	Thr	Met	Val 190	Asp	Leu
	Ser	Asn	Cys 195	Gln	Gly	Gly	Met	Glu 200	Arg	Ile	Ala	Asn	Thr 205	Pro	Leu	Pro
20	Tyr	Pro 210	Tyr	Val	Tyr	Phe	Pro 215	Arg	Leu	Phe	Ser	Thr 220	Leu	Phe	Cys	Ile
25	Leu 225	Met	Pro	Leu	Ser	Met 230	Val	Thr	Thr	Leu	Gly 235	Trp	Phe	Thr	Pro	Ala 240
23	Ile	Ser	Thr	Val	Val 245	Gly	Cys	Met	Leu	Leu 250	Ala	Met	Asp	Arg	Ile 255	Gly
30	Thr	Asp	Leu	Gln 260	Ala	Pro	Phe	Gly	Asn 265	Ser	Gln	His	Arg	Ile 270	Arg	Met
	Glu	Asp	Leu 275	Cys	Asn	Thr	Ile	Glu 280	Lys	Asn	Leu	Gln	Ser 285	Met	Phe	Ser
35	Ser	Pro 290	Glu	Arg	Gln	Pro	Leu 295	Leu	Ala	Asp	Leu	Lys 300	Ser	Pro	Val	Pro
40	Trp 305	Arg	Val	Ala	Asn	Ala 310	Ser	Ile	Gly	Gly	Leu 315	Ser	Arg	Gln	Lys	Asr 320
40	Arg	Leu	Gly	Glu	Gly 325	Ala	Arg	Leu	Ile	Ala 330	Ser	Glu	Ser	Leu	Leu 335	Trp
45	Ala	Pro	Phe	Arg 340	Ser	Val	Ala	Asp	Val 345	Ala	Pro	Cys	His	Ala 350	Ser	Ala
	Tyr	Leu	Arg 355	Arg	Ala											

The DNA molecule of *ORF7* from the *Pseudomonas syringae* pv. tomato DC3000 CEL has a nucleotide sequence (SEQ. ID. No. 10) as follows:

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atgtatatcc agcaatctgg cgcccaatca ggggttgccg ctaagacgca acacgataag 60 ccctcgtcat tgtccggact cgccccggt tcgtcggatg cgttcgccg ttttcatccc 120 gaaaaggcgg gcgcctttgt cccattggag gggcatgaag aggtcttttt cgatggcgc 180 tcttcctttt cgtcggtcga tgccgctgat cttcccagtc ccgagcaggt acaaccccag 240 cttcattcgt tgcgtaccct gctaccggat ctgatggtct ctatcgcctc attacgtgac 300 ggcgccacgc aatacatcaa gaccagaatc aaggctatgg cggacaacag cataggcgcg 360 actgcggaca tcgaagccaa aagaaagatt gcccaagagc acggctgtca gcttgtccac 420 ccgttcacc agagcaatt tctatttgaa aaaactatcg atgatagag ggctatcagt aaattggtgt 540 cagagccgtg caaaagggca gtcggatgag gccttcttc acaaactgga ggactatcag agactatcag 600
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10 The protein or polypeptide encoded by Pto DC3000 CEL ORF7 has an amino acid sequence (SEQ. ID. No. 11) as follows:

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The DNA molecule of *ORF8* from the *Pseudomonas syringae* pv. tomato DC3000 CEL has a nucleotide sequence (SEQ. ID. No. 12) as follows:

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The protein or polypeptide encoded by *Pto* DC3000 CEL *ORF8* has an amino acid sequence (SEQ. ID. No. 13) as follows:

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Arg Phe Leu Pro Ala Val His Leu Thr Pro Arg Thr Phe Met Thr 145 150 155

The DNA molecule of *ORF9* from the *Pseudomonas syringae* pv. tomato DC3000 CEL has a nucleotide sequence (SEQ. ID. No. 14) as follows:

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15 The protein or polypeptide encoded by *Pto* DC3000 CEL *ORF9* has an amino acid sequence (SEQ. ID. No. 15) as follows:

The DNA molecule of *ORF10* from the *Pseudomonas syringae* pv. tomato DC3000 CEL has a nucleotide sequence (SEQ. ID. No. 16) as follows:

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The protein or polypeptide encoded by *Pto* DC3000 CEL *ORF10* has an amino acid sequence (SEQ. ID. No. 17) as follows:

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 - A DNA molecule which contains the EEL of *Pseudomonas syringae* pv. tomato DC3000 has a nucleotide sequence (SEQ. ID. No. 18) as follows:

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     cttttccata ttttttgcga aggtcttgag atctttgttc gtgatcttgc catctgcgtt 9840
     gccaccaccc tgagcaacgt ccacggcggt cttcagcgcc gggttggcgt tgatgaaatc 9900
     catggccttq ccqqcatcqq qgccatcatc acgcgccatc catgccgctg caatcgggcg 9960
     attgagetet ttegeegeet getegegete ttegggegge agatgggeaa ceateggete 10020
     ccaacgtttc agagettctg gcgaggagta ttcagaattg tcgagaaagg ctgcgtctgc 10080
     qqctttqqqq qcqttqqaaq cqtcqqttqc atctqtqttc qtqqqaqctq cqacctqttc 10140
     aaccggagcg gccggggcag tcgcttcagt cggtgcagcc tcggcaggag aatctgcgca 10200
     qqqttqcqqc tqqacctqat tattcacatt ggcattqqca gctqccccqc cactqccctg 10260
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     gagcaaaaga gccaggatag acgacgcggt ctgctcggct cctgtcggcg cgccttgcgt 10320
     gttgccggcc ggctgaccga actgcacgcc ggcttgccca ccgccaccca caggtgtcgg 10380
     caaggetttg geaagaggeg acteaacage cagagecagt tegecaggag tgggttggtt 10440
     cacqataacq aagggagaac tggatatacg catggtgagt tgccatccga gagtgagcga 10500
     tggcaactgt gtggttgaag gtgcaagttg gttccagaaa aaatgatcga gatcgccatt 10560
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     caggcgaacg ggtcgatttg ctgcttgagc tgaacccgcg cgcgggacag gcgtgagcga 10620
     acggtgccaa tcggcacgcc gaggctgttc gctgtttcct gataattgcc gtccatctcc 10680
     aggacactt ccagcacttt ttgcatgttc gacggcaggc aatcaatggc ctgaatgact 10740
     cgcgccagtt gccgatgccc ctctacctga tgactgacat caccgtgccc ttccagctcg 10800
     gaatgcactt cgtcttccca gctttcctga tacggctgac gatacatttt gcggaagtga 10860
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     ttqcqqatca qqttcaqcqc qatqccacac agccaggtct gcggtttgct ggcatgttga 10920
     aacttgtgct cgttacgcan ggcttcaaga aacacgcact ggagaatgtc atccacatca 10980
     tcagggttca tacccgcttt ttggataaac gccctgagca tctgaatctg atcgggcggc 11040
     atttqqcqaa ataccqcqqa cnaaaatqqc tqacnqqqct qggttqagtc nangatcaca 11100
     atcttttgaa acatgggctt accctgatta atggngtaca aaccctatag cgataaccat 11160
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     gccnncttaa aaaaanaaaa aactggntga tttatnaaaa aattttaaaa anngaaattt 11220
     tttqtataca aaacttgggc naccgntttt gcccaaaact tttgggcaaa aanatnggan 11280
     ctttcanggg antgatccng gaccgnaacc cttannggaa taatccggtt aaancggcta 11340
     tnaaanagng ttccnctata tggnaaaatt cgggggccca cccnttngaa ccttttggna 11400
     accettteaa tgttgatttg neaaataagg gattnneeca aaaggtttng etttnggg
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Several undefined nucleotides exist in SEQ. ID. No. 18, however these appear to be present in intergenic regions. The EEL of *Pseudomonas syringae* pv. tomato DC3000 contains a number of ORFs. One of the products encoded by the EEL is a homolog of TnpA' from *P. stutzeri*. An additional four products are produced by *ORF1-4*, respectively. The nucleotide sequences for a number of these ORFs and their encoded protein or polypeptide products are provided below.

The DNA molecule of *ORF1* from the *Pseudomonas syringae* pv. tomato DC3000 EEL has a nucleotide sequence (SEQ. ID. No. 19) as follows:

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     atgagacccg teggtggacc ggetecagge tattateege caacetatga agetgagegt 60
     cccactgcgc aagctgcagg aaacgatcgc gcccgatctt cacaggccag ttcctctcca 120
     gcagccagcg ttgcgccaga gactccaatg ctgggggacc tgaagcgctt tccagccggg 180
     cgctatccgg atatgaaggt agaaaatatc cggctgaaaa tcgaggggca ggagcctggc 240
45
     gqaaaggatg gcgtaaagca caccagaagg cgtaagccgg acgcagcagg cagcagtcat 300
     gtgcacggcg gccagagcgt ggcctcgacc tcggcttcag ctcaaagcaa agcattgcag 360
     gatacgaact tcaaggcgag cgatcttgcc gagctcgcgc gctggtgtga gagcccgcac 420
     ccctatgcgc tggcaccctc aaaagcagcg gggaaaagca gccaactgtc tgcaaatgtt 480
     gtgagcatcc tgttgcaaga aggcaagcac gcccttgaac agcgccttga ggctcaaggt 540
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     ctcaaqctqq ccqacqttqt tqtctcqqaa gqtcgggacc accttcatat aaatctcaat 600
     taccttgaaa tggacagttg tctggggacg tccaagggtt tatgggcacc tgacagtaat 660
     gacaagaaac tgattgccaa ggcagcgcgt tattttgatg atttcaacgc gcaaaagtta 720
     cctgagctgg cgccgttgac gaagatgaaa agcaaggaca gtctcggtgt catgcgcgag 780
     ctgttacgtg atgcgccggg gcttgttatt ggtgagggtc acaattcaac gtccagcaag 840
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     cgtgaactga tcaataacat gaagagettg aaggecagtg gcgtgaccac getttttatg 900
     gagcacetet gegeegagte acatgacaag gegeteaata attacetgag egegeecaaa 960
     ggcagtccga tgcctgccag gctgaaaaac tacctcgatt tgcagagtca gggtcatcag 1020
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gccccggaag agctccacac gaaatataac ttcaccacct tggtggaagc ggccaagcac 1080 gccgggttgc gcgttgtctc gctggataca acgtccacct atatggcccc ggagaaagct 1140 gagataaagc gtgcccaagc catgaattac tacgcagcag aaaaaataag gctgagcaaa 1200 ccggaaggta agtgggtcgc ttttgtcggg gcaacgcacg ccacttcctg tgacggagtc 1260 ccagggttgg cagagttgca tggggtacgc agtctggtga tcgatgatct gggcctcaag 1320 tcccgagcga ccgtcgatat caatgtgaaa aactacggcg gcaagctgaa tccagacgtg 1380 aggctttcct ataaggtctg a

- The protein or polypeptide encoded by *Pto* DC3000 EEL ORF1 has an amino acid sequence (SEQ. ID. No. 20) as follows:
- Met Arg Pro Val Gly Gly Pro Ala Pro Gly Tyr Tyr Pro Pro Thr Tyr $1 \hspace{1cm} 5 \hspace{1cm} 10 \hspace{1cm} 15$
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 Glu Ala Glu Arg Pro Thr Ala Gln Ala Ala Gly Asn Asp Arg Ala Arg
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- Ser Ser Gln Ala Ser Ser Ser Pro Ala Ala Ser Val Ala Pro Glu Thr 20 35 40 45
 - Pro Met Leu Gly Asp Leu Lys Arg Phe Pro Ala Gly Arg Tyr Pro Asp 50 60
- 25 Met Lys Val Glu Asn Ile Arg Leu Lys Ile Glu Gly Gln Glu Pro Gly 65 70 75 80
 - Gly Lys Asp Gly Val Lys His Thr Arg Arg Arg Lys Pro Asp Ala Ala 85 90 95
- 30
 Gly Ser Ser His Val His Gly Gly Gln Ser Val Ala Ser Thr Ser Ala
 100
 105
 110
- - Leu Ala Glu Leu Ala Arg Trp Cys Glu Ser Pro His Pro Tyr Ala Leu 130 \$135\$
- 40 Ala Pro Ser Lys Ala Ala Gly Lys Ser Ser Gln Leu Ser Ala Asn Val 145 150 150 155
- - Glu Ala Gln Gly Leu Lys Leu Ala Asp Val Val Val Ser Glu Gly Arg 180 185 190
- Asp His Leu His Ile Asn Leu Asn Tyr Leu Glu Met Asp Ser Cys Leu 50 200 205
 - Gly Thr Ser Lys Gly Leu Trp Ala Pro Asp Ser Asn Asp Lys Leu 210 215 220
- Ile Ala Lys Ala Ala Arg Tyr Phe Asp Asp Phe Asn Ala Gln Lys Leu 225 230 235 240
- Pro Glu Leu Ala Pro Leu Thr Lys Met Lys Ser Lys Asp Ser Leu Gly \$245\$ \$250\$ \$255\$
- Val Met Arg Glu Leu Leu Arg Asp Ala Pro Gly Leu Val Ile Gly Glu 260 265 270

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Gly His Asn Ser Thr Ser Ser Lys Arg Glu Leu Ile Asn Asn Met Lys
                                  280
      Ser Leu Lys Ala Ser Gly Val Thr Thr Leu Phe Met Glu His Leu Cys
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                              295
     Ala Glu Ser His Asp Lys Ala Leu Asn Asn Tyr Leu Ser Ala Pro Lys
                                              315
10
     Gly Ser Pro Met Pro Ala Arg Leu Lys Asn Tyr Leu Asp Leu Gln Ser
                                          330
     Gln Gly His Gln Ala Pro Glu Glu Leu His Thr Lys Tyr Asn Phe Thr
                                      345
15
     Thr Leu Val Glu Ala Ala Lys His Ala Gly Leu Arg Val Val Ser Leu
     Asp Thr Thr Ser Thr Tyr Met Ala Pro Glu Lys Ala Glu Ile Lys Arg
20
     Ala Gln Ala Met Asn Tyr Tyr Ala Ala Glu Lys Ile Arg Leu Ser Lys
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     Pro Glu Gly Lys Trp Val Ala Phe Val Gly Ala Thr His Ala Thr Ser
     Cys Asp Gly Val Pro Gly Leu Ala Glu Leu His Gly Val Arg Ser Leu
                  420
                                      425
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     Val Ile Asp Asp Leu Gly Leu Lys Ser Arg Ala Thr Val Asp Ile Asn
                                  440
     Val Lys Asn Tyr Gly Gly Lys Leu Asn Pro Asp Val Arg Leu Ser Tyr
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         450
                              455
                                                  460
     Lys Val
     465
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The DNA molecule of *ORF2* from the *Pseudomonas syringae* pv. tomato DC3000 EEL has a nucleotide sequence (SEQ. ID. No. 21) as follows:

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atgcaaaaga cgaccctatg ggctttagcc tttgcaatgt tggcaggtg tggggtttcg 60 gggccggcgc cgggaagtga tattcagggt gcccaggcag agatgaaaac acccgttaaa 120 ctaaatctgg atgcctacac ctcaaaaaaa ctggatgctg tgctggaagc ccgcaccaac 180 ccgtaccgct caaacatgtt ggtgggctca gcgaatgtac ctgaacaatt agtcatcgac 300 ttcagaggtc tggattgtt tgcttatctg gattacgtcg aagcgtttcg aagatcaaca 360 tcgcagcagg attttgtag gaatctcgtt caggttcgtt acaagggtgg cgatgttgac 420 tttttgaatc gcaagcactt tttcacggat tggggcttacg gaacggcata ccctgtggcg 480 gatgacatta ccgcgcagat aagccccggt gcggtaagtg tcagaaaacg ccttaatgaa 540 agggccaaag gcaaagtcta tctgccaggg ttgcctgtgg ttgagcgtag catgacgtat 600 accccgagcc gccttgtcga caggcctgga tgggacacc ggcatgttaca ggcaataaca ccccgggtgga ggcatttaca cccccgctc ccgggctgga tgggaccacc ggcgttct ttatcgtgac 720 ggataa
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The protein or polypeptide encoded by *Pto* DC3000 EEL ORF2 has an amino acid sequence (SEQ. ID. No. 22) as follows:

- Met Gln Lys Thr Thr Leu Trp Ala Leu Ala Phe Ala Met Leu Ala Gly 10 Cys Gly Val Ser Gly Pro Ala Pro Gly Ser Asp Ile Gln Gly Ala Gln 5 Ala Glu Met Lys Thr Pro Val Lys Leu Asn Leu Asp Ala Tyr Thr Ser 10 Lys Lys Leu Asp Ala Val Leu Glu Ala Arg Thr Asn Lys Ser Tyr Met 55 Asn Lys Gly Gln Leu Ile Asp Leu Val Ser Gly Ala Phe Leu Gly Thr 15 Pro Tyr Arg Ser Asn Met Leu Val Gly Ser Ala Asn Val Pro Glu Gln Leu Val Ile Asp Phe Arg Gly Leu Asp Cys Phe Ala Tyr Leu Asp Tyr 20 Val Glu Ala Phe Arg Arg Ser Thr Ser Gln Gln Asp Phe Val Arg Asn 120 25 Leu Val Gln Val Arg Tyr Lys Gly Gly Asp Val Asp Phe Leu Asn Arg Lys His Phe Phe Thr Asp Trp Ala Tyr Gly Thr Ala Tyr Pro Val Ala 150 155 30 Asp Asp Ile Thr Ala Gln Ile Ser Pro Gly Ala Val Ser Val Arg Lys 170 Arg Leu Asn Glu Arg Ala Lys Gly Lys Val Tyr Leu Pro Gly Leu Pro 35 Val Val Glu Arg Ser Met Thr Tyr Ile Pro Ser Arg Leu Val Asp Ser 40 Gln Val Val Ser His Leu Arg Thr Gly Asp Tyr Ile Gly Ile Tyr Thr 215 Pro Ala Ser Arg Ala Gly Cys Asp Thr Arg Arg Phe Leu Tyr Arg Asp 230 45 Gly
 - The DNA molecule of *ORF3* from the *Pseudomonas syringae* pv. tomato DC3000 EEL has a nucleotide sequence (SEQ. ID. No. 23) as follows:

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atgegegegt ataaaaacet gaeggeaaag ateggegget ttetgettge getgaegate 60
attggeactt egetaectge atttgeegta aacgattgtg atetggaeaa egaeaacage 120
aceggtgeea egtgtggegg caacgaeaag gatetggata aegaeaaegt gaetgaegeg 180
geatttggeg geaacgaeaa ggatatggae aatgaeeae acaeegaege ggeatttggg 240
ggtaaegaea aggaeetgga eaaegateae eataeggatg eagegttteg eggtaaegae 300
aaagateteg acaaegaeaa eaaaaeegat geggettteg gtggaaatga eegegatett 360
gataaegaea acaaeaeega eaaetaeaae ggeaegeegt etgeegetaa aaagtag 417

The protein or polypeptide encoded by *Pto* DC3000 EEL *ORF3* has an amino acid sequence (SEQ. ID. No. 24) as follows:

- Met Arg Ala Tyr Lys Asn Leu Thr Ala Lys Ile Gly Gly Phe Leu Leu 5 Ala Leu Thr Ile Ile Gly Thr Ser Leu Pro Ala Phe Ala Val Asn Asp Cys Asp Leu Asp Asn Asp Asn Ser Thr Gly Ala Thr Cys Gly Gly Asn 40 10 Asp Lys Asp Leu Asp Asn Asp Asn Val Thr Asp Ala Ala Phe Gly Gly Asn Asp Lys Asp Met Asp Asn Asp His His Thr Asp Ala Ala Phe Gly 15 Gly Asn Asp Lys Asp Leu Asp Asn Asp His His Thr Asp Ala Ala Phe 20 Gly Gly Asn Asp Lys Asp Leu Asp Asn Asp Asn Lys Thr Asp Ala Ala Phe Gly Gly Asn Asp Arg Asp Leu Asp Asn Asp Asn Asn Thr Asp Asn 120 25 Tyr Asn Gly Thr Pro Ser Ala Ala Lys Lys 135
- 30 P. s. syringae pv. tomato DC3000 EEL ORF3 has now been shown to significantly reduce virulence when mutated. Perhaps more interestingly, overexpression strongly increases lesion size. Hence, this effector is biologically active and appears to have a key role in symptom production.

The DNA molecule of ORF4 from the Pseudomonas syringae pv.

tomato DC3000 EEL has a nucleotide sequence (SEQ. ID. No. 25) as follows:

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40 atgaacaaga tcgtctacgt aaaagcttac ttcaaaccca ttggggagga agtctcggtt 60 aaagtaccta caggcgaaat taaaaagggc tttttcggcg acaaggaaat catgaaaaaa 120 gagacccagt ggcagcaaac cgggtggtct gattgtcaga tagacggtga acggctatcg 180 aaagacgtcg aagacgcagt ggcgcaactc aatgctgacg gttatgagat tcaaacggta 240 ttgcctatat tgtccgggc ttatgattat gcgctcaaat accgatacga aatacgtcac 300 aatagaactg aactaagccc aggagaccag tcctatgtct tcggctatgg ctacagcttc 360 accgaaggcg tgacgctggt ggcgaaaaaa tttcagtcgt ctgcaagctg a
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The protein or polypeptide encoded by *Pto* DC3000 EEL *ORF4* has an amino acid sequence (SEQ. ID. No. 26) as follows:

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Met Asn Lys Ile Val Tyr Val Lys Ala Tyr Phe Lys Pro Ile Gly Glu

1 5 10 10 15 15 Gly Glu

Glu Val Ser Val Lys Val Pro Thr Gly Glu Ile Lys Lys Gly Phe Phe
20 25 30 55 Gly Asp Lys Glu Ile Met Lys Lys Glu Thr Gln Trp Gln Gln Thr Gly
35 40 45
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Trp Ser Asp Cys Gln Ile Asp Gly Glu Arg Leu Ser Lys Asp Val Glu

Asp Ala Val Ala Gln Leu Asn Ala Asp Gly Tyr Glu Ile Gln Thr Val

65

Leu Pro Ile Leu Ser Gly Ala Tyr Asp Tyr Ala Leu Lys Tyr Arg Tyr

85

Olu Ile Arg His Asn Arg Thr Glu Leu Ser Pro Gly Asp Gln Ser Tyr

10

Val Phe Gly Tyr Gly Tyr Ser Phe Thr Glu Gly Val Thr Leu Val Ala

115

Lys Lys Phe Gln Ser Ser Ala Ser

135
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The EEL of *Pseudomonas syringae* pv. syringae B728a contains a number of ORFs. Two of the open reading frames appear to be mobile genetic elements without comparable homologs in EELs of other *Pseudomonas syringae* variants. An additional four products are produced by *ORF1-2* and *ORF5-6*, respectively. The nucleotide sequences for a number of these ORFs and their encoded protein or polypeptide products are provided below.

The DNA molecule of *ORF1* from the *Pseudomonas syringae* pv. syringae B728a EEL has a nucleotide sequence (SEQ. ID. No. 27) as follows:

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atgggttgcg tatcgtcaaa agcatctgtc atttcttcgg acagctttcg cgcatcatat 60
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     acaaactete cagaggcate etcagtecat caacgageca ggacgecaag gtgeggtgag 120
     cttcaggggc cccaagtgag cagattgatg ccttaccagc aggcgttagt aggtgtggcc 180
     cgatggccta atccgcattt taacagggac gatgcgcccc accagatgga gtatggagaa 240
     tegttetace ataaaageeg agagettggt gegteggteg ceaatggaga gatagaaaeg 300
     tttcaggagc tctggagtga agctcgtgat tggagagctt ccagagcagg ccaagatgct 360
35
     cggcttttta gttcatcgcg tgatcccaac tcttcacggg cgtttgttac gcctataact 420
     ggaccatacg aatttttaaa agatagattc gcaaaccgta aagatggaga aaagcataag 480
     atgatggatt ttctcccaca cagcaatacg tttaggtttc atgggaaaat tgacggtgag 540
     cgacttcctc tcacctggat ctcgataagt tctgatcgtc gtgccgacag aacaaaggat 600
     ccttaccaaa ggttgcgcga ccaaggcatg aacgatgtgg gtgagcctaa tgtgatgttg 660
40
     cacacccaag ccgagtatgt gcccaaaatt atgcaacatg tggagcatct ttataaggcc 720
     gctacggatg ctgcattgtc cgatgccaat gcgctgaaaa aactcgcaga gatacattgg 780
     tggacggtac aagctgttcc cgactttcgt ggaagtgcag ctaaggctga gctctgcgtg 840
     cgctccattg cccaggcaag gggcatggac ctgccgccga tgagactcgg catcgtgccg 900
     gatctggaag cgcttacgat gcctttgaaa gactttgtga aaagttacga agggttcttc 960
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     qaacataact qa
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The protein or polypeptide encoded by *Psy* B728a EEL *ORF1* has an amino acid sequence (SEQ. ID. No. 28) as follows:

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Met Gly Cys Val Ser Ser Lys Ala Ser Val Ile Ser Ser Asp Ser Phe

1 5 10 15

Arg Ala Ser Tyr Thr Asn Ser Pro Glu Ala Ser Ser Val His Gln Arg

25 30
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- Ala Arg Thr Pro Arg Cys Gly Glu Leu Gln Gly Pro Gln Val Ser Arg 5 Leu Met Pro Tyr Gln Gln Ala Leu Val Gly Val Ala Arg Trp Pro Asn Pro His Phe Asn Arg Asp Asp Ala Pro His Gln Met Glu Tyr Gly Glu 10 Ser Phe Tyr His Lys Ser Arg Glu Leu Gly Ala Ser Val Ala Asn Gly Glu Ile Glu Thr Phe Gln Glu Leu Trp Ser Glu Ala Arg Asp Trp Arg 15 Ala Ser Arg Ala Gly Gln Asp Ala Arg Leu Phe Ser Ser Ser Arg Asp 115 120 20 Pro Asn Ser Ser Arg Ala Phe Val Thr Pro Ile Thr Gly Pro Tyr Glu 135 Phe Leu Lys Asp Arg Phe Ala Asn Arg Lys Asp Gly Glu Lys His Lys 25 Met Met Asp Phe Leu Pro His Ser Asn Thr Phe Arg Phe His Gly Lys Ile Asp Gly Glu Arg Leu Pro Leu Thr Trp Ile Ser Ile Ser Ser Asp 30 185 Arg Arg Ala Asp Arg Thr Lys Asp Pro Tyr Gln Arg Leu Arg Asp Gln 35 Gly Met Asn Asp Val Gly Glu Pro Asn Val Met Leu His Thr Gln Ala Glu Tyr Val Pro Lys Ile Met Gln His Val Glu His Leu Tyr Lys Ala 230 40 Ala Thr Asp Ala Ala Leu Ser Asp Ala Asn Ala Leu Lys Lys Leu Ala 250 Glu Ile His Trp Trp Thr Val Gln Ala Val Pro Asp Phe Arg Gly Ser 45 265 Ala Ala Lys Ala Glu Leu Cys Val Arg Ser Ile Ala Gln Ala Arg Gly 50 Met Asp Leu Pro Pro Met Arg Leu Gly Ile Val Pro Asp Leu Glu Ala 295 Leu Thr Met Pro Leu Lys Asp Phe Val Lys Ser Tyr Glu Gly Phe Phe 315 55 Glu His Asn
- As indicated in Table 1 (see Example 2), the DNA molecule encoding this protein or polypeptide bears significant homology to the nucleotide sequence from *Pseudomonas syringae* pv. *phaseolicola* which encodes AvrPphC.

The DNA molecule of *ORF2* from the *Pseudomonas syringae* pv. syringae B728a EEL has a nucleotide sequence (SEQ. ID. No. 29) as follows:

_	atgagaattc	acagttccgg	tcatggcatc	tccggaccag	tatcctctgc	agaaaccgtt	60
5	gaaaaggccg	tgcaatcatc	ggcccaagcg	cagaatgaag	cgtctcacag	cggtccatca	120
	gaacatcctg	aatcccgctc	ctgtcaggca	cgcccgaact	acccttattc	gtcagtcaaa	180
	acacggttac	cccctgttgc	gtctgcaggg	cagtcgctgt	ctgagacacc	ctcttcattg	240
	cctggctacc	tgctgttacg	tcggcttgat	cgtcgtccgc	tggaccagga	cgcaataaag	300
4.0	gggcttattc	ctgctgatga	agcagtgggc	gaagcgcgcc	gcgcgttgcc	cttcggcagg	360
10	ggcaacattg	atgtggatgc	gcaacgctcc	aacctggaaa	gcggggcccg	cacgctcgcc	420
	gcaagacgcc	tgagaaaaga	cgccgagacg	gcgggtcatg	agccgatgcc	cgagaacgaa	480
	gacatgaact	ggcatgtgct	ggttgccatg	tcgggtcagg	tgttcggggc	tggcaactgt	540
	ggcgaacatg	cccgtatagc	gagctttgcc	tacggtgcat	cggctcagga	aaaaggacgc	600
	gctggcgatg	aaaatattca	tctggctgcg	cagagcgggg	aagatcatgt	ctgggctgaa	660
15	acggatgatt	ccagcgctgg	ctcttcgcct	attgtcatgg	acccctggtc	aaacggtcct	720
	gccgtttttg	cagaggacag	tcggtttgct	aaagataggc	gcgcggtaga	gcgaacggat	780
	tcgttcacgc	tttcaaccgc	tgccaaagca	ggcaagatta	cacgagagac	agccgagaag	840
	gcgctgaccc	aagcgaccag	ccgtttgcag	caacgtcttg	ctgatcagca	ggcgcaagtc	900
20	tcgccggttg	aaggtggtcg	ctatcggcaa	gaaaactcgg	tgcttgatga	tgcgttcgcc	960
20	cgacgagtca	gtgacatgtt	gaacaatgcc	gatccacggc	gtgcattgca	ggtggaaatc	1020
	gaggcgtccg	gagttgcaat	gtcgctgggt	gcccaaggcg	tcaagacggt	cgtccgacag	1080
	gcgccaaaag	tggtcaggca	agccagaggc	gtcgcatctg	ctaaaggtat	gtctccgcga	1140
	gcaacctga						1149

The protein or polypeptide encoded by *Psy* B728a EEL *ORF2* has an amino acid sequence (SEQ. ID. No. 30) as follows:

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Met Arg Ile His Ser Ser Gly His Gly Ile Ser Gly Pro Val Ser Ser
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     Ala Glu Thr Val Glu Lys Ala Val Gln Ser Ser Ala Gln Ala Gln Asn
35
     Glu Ala Ser His Ser Gly Pro Ser Glu His Pro Glu Ser Arg Ser Cys
     Gln Ala Arg Pro Asn Tyr Pro Tyr Ser Ser Val Lys Thr Arg Leu Pro
40
     Pro Val Ala Ser Ala Gly Gln Ser Leu Ser Glu Thr Pro Ser Ser Leu
                          70
     Pro Gly Tyr Leu Leu Arg Arg Leu Asp Arg Arg Pro Leu Asp Gln
45
     Asp Ala Ile Lys Gly Leu Ile Pro Ala Asp Glu Ala Val Gly Glu Ala
50
     Arg Arg Ala Leu Pro Phe Gly Arg Gly Asn Ile Asp Val Asp Ala Gln
                                 120
     Arg Ser Asn Leu Glu Ser Gly Ala Arg Thr Leu Ala Ala Arg Arg Leu
55
     Arg Lys Asp Ala Glu Thr Ala Gly His Glu Pro Met Pro Glu Asn Glu
     Asp Met Asn Trp His Val Leu Val Ala Met Ser Gly Gln Val Phe Gly
60
                     165
                                         170
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Ala Gly Asn Cys Gly Glu His Ala Arg Ile Ala Ser Phe Ala Tyr Gly
                                      185
     Ala Ser Ala Gln Glu Lys Gly Arg Ala Gly Asp Glu Asn Ile His Leu
 5
                                  200
     Ala Ala Gln Ser Gly Glu Asp His Val Trp Ala Glu Thr Asp Asp Ser
10
     Ser Ala Gly Ser Ser Pro Ile Val Met Asp Pro Trp Ser Asn Gly Pro
                                              235
                          230
     Ala Val Phe Ala Glu Asp Ser Arg Phe Ala Lys Asp Arg Arg Ala Val
                                          250
                     245
15
     Glu Arg Thr Asp Ser Phe Thr Leu Ser Thr Ala Ala Lys Ala Gly Lys
     Ile Thr Arg Glu Thr Ala Glu Lys Ala Leu Thr Gln Ala Thr Ser Arg
20
             275
     Leu Gln Gln Arg Leu Ala Asp Gln Gln Ala Gln Val Ser Pro Val Glu
     Gly Gly Arg Tyr Arg Gln Glu Asn Ser Val Leu Asp Asp Ala Phe Ala
25
                                              315
     Arg Arg Val Ser Asp Met Leu Asn Asn Ala Asp Pro Arg Arg Ala Leu
                                          330
30
     Gln Val Glu Ile Glu Ala Ser Gly Val Ala Met Ser Leu Gly Ala Gln
                                      345
     Gly Val Lys Thr Val Val Arg Gln Ala Pro Lys Val Val Arg Gln Ala
35
     Arg Gly Val Ala Ser Ala Lys Gly Met Ser Pro Arg Ala Thr
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As indicated in Table 1 (see Example 2), the DNA molecule encoding this protein or polypeptide bears significant homology to the nucleotide sequence from *Pseudomonas syringae* pv. *phaseolicola* which encodes AvrPphE.

The DNA molecule of ORF5 from the Pseudomonas syringae pv.

45 syringae B728a EEL has a nucleotide sequence (SEQ. ID. No. 31) as follows:

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atgaatatet caggteegaa cagaegteag gggaeteagg cagagaacae tgaaageget 60
     tcgtcatcat cggtaactaa cccaccgcta cagcgtggcg agggcagacg tctgcgacgt 120
     caggatgcgc tgccaacgga tatcagatac aacgccaacc agacagcgac atcaccgcaa 180
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     aacqcqcqcq cqqcaqqaaq atatgaatca ggggccagct catccggcgc gaatgatact 240
     ccgcaggctg aaggttcaat gccttcgtcg tccgcccttt tacaatttcg cctcgccggc 300
     gggcggaacc attctgagct ggaaaatttt catactatga tgctgaactc accgaaagca 360
     tcacggggag atgctatacc tgagaagccc gaagcaatac ctaagcgcct actggagaag 420
     atggaaccga ttaacctggc ccagttagct ttgcgtgata aggatctgca tgaatatgcc 480
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     gtaatggtct gtaaccaagt gaaaaagggt gaaggtccga actccaatat tacgcaagga 540
     gatatcaagt tactgccgct gttcgccaaa gcggaaaata caagaaatcc cggcttgaat 600
     ctgcatacat tcaaaagtca taaagactgt taccaggcga taaaagagca aaacagggat 660
     attcaaaaaa acaagcaatc gctgagtatg cgggttgttt accccccatt caaaaagatg 720
     ccagaccacc atatagcctt ggatatccaa ctgagatacg gccatcgacc gtcgattgtc 780
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     ggctttgagt ctgcccctgg gaacattata gatgctgcag aaagggaaat actttcagca 840
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The protein or polypeptide encoded by *Psy* B728a EEL *ORF5* has an amino acid sequence (SEQ. ID. No. 32) as follows:

Met Asn Ile Ser Gly Pro Asn Arg Arg Gln Gly Thr Gln Ala Glu Asn 15 Thr Glu Ser Ala Ser Ser Ser Val Thr Asn Pro Pro Leu Gln Arg Gly Glu Gly Arg Arg Leu Arg Arg Gln Asp Ala Leu Pro Thr Asp Ile 20 Arg Tyr Asn Ala Asn Gln Thr Ala Thr Ser Pro Gln Asn Ala Arg Ala 25 Ala Gly Arg Tyr Glu Ser Gly Ala Ser Ser Ser Gly Ala Asn Asp Thr Pro Gln Ala Glu Gly Ser Met Pro Ser Ser Ser Ala Leu Leu Gln Phe 90 30 Arg Leu Ala Gly Gly Arg Asn His Ser Glu Leu Glu Asn Phe His Thr 105 Met Met Leu Asn Ser Pro Lys Ala Ser Arg Gly Asp Ala Ile Pro Glu 35 120 Lys Pro Glu Ala Ile Pro Lys Arg Leu Leu Glu Lys Met Glu Pro Ile 40 Asn Leu Ala Gln Leu Ala Leu Arg Asp Lys Asp Leu His Glu Tyr Ala Val Met Val Cys Asn Gln Val Lys Lys Gly Glu Gly Pro Asn Ser Asn 45 Ile Thr Gln Gly Asp Ile Lys Leu Pro Leu Phe Ala Lys Ala Glu Asn Thr Arg Asn Pro Gly Leu Asn Leu His Thr Phe Lys Ser His Lys 50 200 Asp Cys Tyr Gln Ala Ile Lys Glu Gln Asn Arg Asp Ile Gln Lys Asn 55 Lys Gln Ser Leu Ser Met Arg Val Val Tyr Pro Pro Phe Lys Lys Met 230 235 Pro Asp His His Ile Ala Leu Asp Ile Gln Leu Arg Tyr Gly His Arg 250 60 Pro Ser Ile Val Gly Phe Glu Ser Ala Pro Gly Asn Ile Ile Asp Ala 265

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- Ala Glu Arg Glu Ile Leu Ser Ala Leu Gly Asn Val Lys Ile Lys Met Val Gly Asn Phe Leu Gln Tyr Ser Lys Thr Asp Cys Thr Met Phe Ala 5 Leu Asn Asn Ala Leu Lys Ala Phe Lys His His Glu Glu Tyr Thr Ala 10 Arg Leu His Asn Gly Glu Lys Gln Val Pro Ile Pro Ala Thr Phe Leu Lys His Ala Gln Ser Lys Ser Leu Val Glu Asn His Pro Glu Lys Asp 15 Thr Thr Val Thr Lys Asp Gln Gly Gly Leu His Met Glu Thr Leu Leu His Arg Asn Arg Ala Tyr Arg Ala Gln Arg Ser Ala Gly Gln His Val 20 375 Thr Ser Ile Glu Gly Phe Arg Met Gln Glu Ile Lys Arg Ala Gly Asp 390 395 25 Phe Leu Ala Ala Asn Arg Val Arg Ala Lys Pro
 - The DNA molecule of *ORF6* from the *Pseudomonas syringae* pv.
- 30 syringae B728a EEL has a nucleotide sequence (SEQ. ID. No. 33) as follows:
- atgacgctgg aacggattga acagcaaaat acgctgtttg tttatctgtg cgtgggcacg 60 ctttctactc cagccagcag cacacttctg agcgatattc tggccgccaa cctctttcat 120 tatgggtcca gcgatgggc ggccttcggg ctggacgaaa aaaataatga agtgctgctt 180 tttcagcggt ttgatccgtt acggattgat gaggatcact ttgtcagcgc ctgcgttcag 240 atgatcgaag tggcgaaaat atggcgggca aagttactgc atggccattc tgctccgctc 300 gcctcctcaa ccaggctgac gaaagccggt ttaatgctaa ccatggcggg gactattcga 360 tga
 - The protein or polypeptide encoded by *Psy* B728a EEL *ORF6* has an amino acid sequence (SEQ. ID. No. 34) as follows:
- Met Thr Leu Glu Arg Ile Glu Gln Gln Asn Thr Leu Phe Val Tyr Leu 45 1 5 10 15
 - Cys Val Gly Thr Leu Ser Thr Pro Ala Ser Şer Thr Leu Leu Ser Asp $20 \\ 25 \\ 30$
- 50 Ile Leu Ala Ala Asn Leu Phe His Tyr Gly Ser Ser Asp Gly Ala Ala 35 40 45
 - Phe Gly Leu Asp Glu Lys Asn Asn Glu Val Leu Leu Phe Gln Arg Phe 50 55 60
 - Asp Pro Leu Arg Ile Asp Glu Asp His Phe Val Ser Ala Cys Val Gln 65 70 75 80
- Met Ile Glu Val Ala Lys Ile Trp Arg Ala Lys Leu Leu His Gly His 60 95 95

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Ser Ala Pro Leu Ala Ser Ser Thr Arg Leu Thr Lys Ala Gly Leu Met 100 105 110

Leu Thr Met Ala Gly Thr Ile Arg 120
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The EEL of *Pseudomonas syringae* pv. syringae 61 contains a number of ORFs. One of the open reading frames encodes the outer membrane protein

HopPsyA. The DNA molecule which encodes HopPsyA has a nucleotide sequence (SEO, ID, No. 35) as follows:

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gtgaacccta tccatgcacg cttctccagc gtagaagcgc tcagacattc aaacgttgat 60
     attcaggcaa tcaaatccga gggtcagttg gaagtcaacg gcaagcgtta cgagattcgt 120
15
     geggeegetg aeggeteaat egeggteete agaeeegate aacagteeaa ageagacaaq 180
     ttcttcaaag gcgcagcgca tcttattggc ggacaaagcc agcgtgccca aatagcccag 240
     gtactcaacg agaaagegge ggeagtteea egeetggaca gaatgttggg cagaegette 300
     gatctggaga agggcggaag tagcgctgtg ggcgccgcaa tcaaggctgc cgacagccga 360
     ctgacatcaa aacagacatt tgccagcttc cagcaatggg ctgaaaaagc tgaggcgctc 420
20
     gggcgatacc gaaatcggta tctacatgat ctacaagagg gacacgccag acacaacgcc 480
     tatgaatgcg gcagagtcaa gaacattacc tggaaacgct acaggctctc gataacaaga 540
     aaaaccttat catacgcccc gcagatccat gatgatcggg aagaggaaga gcttgatctg 600
     ggccgataca tcgctgaaga cagaaatgcc agaaccggct tttttagaat ggttcctaaa 660
     gaccaacgcg cacctgagac aaactcggga cgacttacca ttggtgtaga acctaaatat 720
25
     ggagegeagt tggccctcgc aatggcaacc ctgatggaca agcacaaatc tgtgacacaa 780
     ggtaaagtcg tcggtccggc aaaatatggc cagcaaactg actctgccat tctttacata 840
     aatggtgatc ttgcaaaagc agtaaaactg ggcgaaaagc tgaaaaagct gagcggtatc 900
     cctcctgaag gattcgtcga acatacaccg ctaagcatgc agtcgacggg tctcggtctt 960
     tettatgeeg agteggttga agggeageet teeageeacg gacaggegag aacacacgtt 1020
30
     atcatggatg ccttgaaagg ccagggccc atggagaaca gactcaaaat ggcgctggca 1080
     gaaagaggct atgacccgga aaatccggcg ctcagggcgc gaaactga
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HopPsyA has an amino acid sequence (SEQ. ID. No. 36) as follows:

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Val Asn Pro Ile His Ala Arg Phe Ser Ser Val Glu Ala Leu Arg His 15

Ser Asn Val Asp Ile Gln Ala Ile Lys Ser Glu Gly Gln Leu Glu Val 20

Asn Gly Lys Arg Tyr Glu Ile Arg Ala Ala Ala Asp Gly Ser Ile Ala 35

Val Leu Arg Pro Asp Gln Gln Ser Lys Ala Asp Lys Phe Phe Lys Gly 55

Ala Ala His Leu Ile Gly Gly Gln Ser Gln Arg Ala Gln Ile Ala Gln 65

Val Leu Asn Glu Lys Ala Ala Ala Val Pro Arg Leu Asp Arg Met Leu 85

Gly Arg Arg Phe Asp Leu Glu Lys Gly Gly Ser Ser Ala Val Gly Ala 100

Ala Ile Lys Ala Ala Asp Ser Arg Leu Thr Ser Lys Gln Thr Phe Ala 115
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- Ser Phe Gln Gln Trp Ala Glu Lys Ala Glu Ala Leu Gly Arg Tyr Arg Asn Arg Tyr Leu His Asp Leu Gln Glu Gly His Ala Arg His Asn Ala 5 Tyr Glu Cys Gly Arg Val Lys Asn Ile Thr Trp Lys Arg Tyr Arg Leu 165 170 10 Ser Ile Thr Arg Lys Thr Leu Ser Tyr Ala Pro Gln Ile His Asp Asp Arg Glu Glu Glu Leu Asp Leu Gly Arg Tyr Ile Ala Glu Asp Arg 200 15 Asn Ala Arg Thr Gly Phe Phe Arg Met Val Pro Lys Asp Gln Arg Ala 215 Pro Glu Thr Asn Ser Gly Arg Leu Thr Ile Gly Val Glu Pro Lys Tyr 20 230 Gly Ala Gln Leu Ala Leu Ala Met Ala Thr Leu Met Asp Lys His Lys 250 25 Ser Val Thr Gln Gly Lys Val Val Gly Pro Ala Lys Tyr Gly Gln Gln 265 Thr Asp Ser Ala Ile Leu Tyr Ile Asn Gly Asp Leu Ala Lys Ala Val 275 280 30 Lys Leu Gly Glu Lys Leu Lys Leu Ser Gly Ile Pro Pro Glu Gly Phe Val Glu His Thr Pro Leu Ser Met Gln Ser Thr Gly Leu Gly Leu 35 Ser Tyr Ala Glu Ser Val Glu Gly Gln Pro Ser Ser His Gly Gln Ala 330 40 Arg Thr His Val Ile Met Asp Ala Leu Lys Gly Gln Gly Pro Met Glu 345 Asn Arg Leu Lys Met Ala Leu Ala Glu Arg Gly Tyr Asp Pro Glu Asn 45 Pro Ala Leu Arg Ala Arg Asn 370
- The remaining open reading frame, designated *shcA*, is a DNA molecule having a nucleotide sequence (SEQ. ID. No. 37) as follows:
- atggagatge cegeettgge gtttgaegat aagggtgegt gcaacatgat categacaag 60 geattegete tgaegetgtt gegegaegae acgeatcaae gtttgttget gattggtetg 120 ettgagecae acgaggatet accettgeag egeetgttgg etggegetet caaceceett 180 gtgaatgeeg geeceggeat tggetgggat gagcaaageg geetgtaeca egettaecaa 240 ageateeege gggaaaaagt cagegtggag atgetgaage tegaaattge aggattggte 300 gaatggatga agtgttggeg agaageeege acgtga
 - The encoded protein or polypeptide, ShcA, has an amino acid sequence (SEQ. ID. No. 38) as follows:

In addition to the above DNA molecules and proteins or polypeptides,
the present invention also relates to homologs of various DNA molecules of the
present invention which have been isolated from other *Pseudomonas syringae*pathovars. For example, a number of AvrPphE, AvrPphF, and HopPsyA homologs
have been identified from *Pseudomonas syringae* pathovars.

The DNA molecule from *Pseudomonas syringae* pv. *angulata* which encodes an AvrPphE homolog has a nucleotide sequence (SEQ. ID. No. 39) as follows:

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atgagaattc acagtgctgg tcacagcctg cctgcgccag gccctagcgt ggaaaccact 60
     gaaaaggctg ttcaatcatc atcggcccag aaccccgctt cttacagttc acaaacagaa 120
35
     cgtcctgaag ccggttcgac tcaagtgcga ctgaactacc cttactcatc agtcaagaca 180
     egettgecae eegtttette tacagggeag gecatttetg ceaegecate tteattgece 240
     ggttacctgc tgttacgtcg gctcgaccga cgtccactgg atgaagacag tatcaaggct 300
     ctggttccgg cagacgaagc ggtgcgtgaa gcacgccgcg cgttgccctt cggcaggggc 360
     aacattgatg tggatgcaca acgtacccac ctgcaaagcg gcgctcgcgc agtcgctgca 420
40
     aagegettga gaaaagatge egagegeget ggecatgage egatgeeegg gaatgatgag 480
     atgaactggc atgttcttgt cgccatgtca gggcaggtgt ttggcgctgg caactgtggc 540
     gaacatgete gtatageaag ettegettae ggggeeetgg eteaggaaag egggegtagt 600
     ccccgcgaaa agattcattt ggccgagcag cccggaaaag atcacgtctg ggctgaaacg 660
     gataattcca gcgctggctc ttcgcccatc gtcatggacc cgtggtctaa cggcgcagcc 720
45
     attttggcgg aggacagccg gtttgccaaa gatcgcagta cggtagagcg aacatattca 780
     ttcacccttg caatggcagc tgaagccggc aaggttacgc gtgaaaccgc cgagaacgtt 840
     ctgacccaca cgacaagccg tctgcagaaa cgtcttgctg atcagttgcc gaacgtctca 900
     ccqcttqaaq qaqqccqcta tcagcaggaa aagtcggtgc ttgatgaggc gttcgcccga 960
     cgagtgagcg acaagttgaa tagtgacgat ccacggcgtg cgttgcagat ggaaattgaa 1020
50
     getgttggtg ttgcaatgte getgggtgee gaaggegtea agaeggtege eegacaggeg 1080
     ccaaaggtgg tcaggcaagc cagaagcgtc gcgtcgtcta aaggcatgcc tccacgaaga 1140
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The amino acid sequence (SEQ. ID. No. 40) for the AvrPphE homolog of *Pseudomonas syringae* pv. *angulata* is as follows:

5	Met 1	Arg	Ile	His	Ser 5	Ala	Gly	His	Ser	Leu 10	Pro	Ala	Pro	Gly	Pro 15	Ser
	Val	Glu	Thr	Thr 20	Glu	Lys	Ala	Val	Gln 25	Ser	Ser	Ser	Ala	Gln 30	Asn	Pro
10	Ala	Ser	Tyr 35	Ser	Ser	Gln	Thr	Glu 40	Arg	Pro	Glu	Ala	Gly 45	Ser	Thr	Gln
15	Val	Arg 50	Leu	Asn	Tyr	Pro	Tyr 55	Ser	Ser	Val	Lys	Thr 60	Arg	Leu	Pro	Pro
13	Val 65	Ser	Ser	Thr	Gly	Gln 70	Ala	Ile	Ser	Ala	Thr 75	Pro	Ser	Ser	Leu	Pro 80
20	Gly	Tyr	Leu	Leu	Leu 85	Arg	Arg	Leu	Asp	Arg 90	Arg	Pro	Leu	Asp	Glu 95	Asp
	Ser	Ile	Lys	Ala 100	Leu	Val	Pro	Ala	Asp 105	Glu	Ala	Val	Arg	Glu 110	Ala	Arg
25	Arg	Ala	Leu 115	Pro	Phe	Gly	Arg	Gly 120	Asn	Ile	Asp	Val	Asp 125	Ala	Gln	Arg
30	Thr	His 130	Leu	Gln	Ser	Gly	Ala 135	Arg	Ala	Val	Ala	Ala 140	Lys	Arg	Leu	Arg
30	Lys 145	Asp	Ala	Glu	Arg	Ala 150	Gly	His	Glu	Pro	Met 155	Pro	Gly	Asn	Asp	Glu 160
35	Met	Asn	Trp	His	Val 165	Leu	Val	Ala	Met	Ser 170	Gly	Gln	Val	Phe	Gly 175	Ala
	Gly	Asn	Cys	Gly 180	Glu	His	Ala	Arg	Ile 185	Ala	Ser	Phe	Ala	Tyr 190	Gly	Ala
40	Leu	Ala	Gln 195	Glu	Ser	Gly	Arg	Ser 200	Pro	Arg	Glu	Lys	Ile 205	His	Leu	Ala
45	Glu	Gln 210	Pro	gly	Lys	Asp	His 215	Val	Trp	Ala	Glu	Thr 220	Asp	Asn	Ser	Ser
43	Ala 225	Gly	Ser	Ser	Pro	Ile 230	Val	Met	Asp	Pro	Trp 235	Ser	Asn	Gly	Ala	Ala 240
50	Ile	Leu	Ala	Glu	Asp 245	Ser	Arg	Phe	Ala	Lys 250	Asp	Arg	Ser	Thr	Val 255	Glu
	Arg	Thr	Tyr	Ser 260	Phe	Thr	Leu	Ala	Met 265	Ala	Ala	Glu	Ala	Gly 270	Lys	Val
55	Thr	Arg	Glu 275	Thr	Ala	Glu	Asn	Val 280	Leu	Thr	His	Thr	Thr 285	Ser	Arg	Leu
60	Gln	Lys 290	Arg	Leu	Ala	Asp	Gln 295	Leu	Pro	Asn	Val	Ser 300	Pro	Leu	Glu	Gly
ou	Gly 305	Arg	Tyr	Gln	Gln	Glu 310	Lys	Ser	Val	Leu	Asp 315	Glu	Ala	Phe	Ala	Arg 320

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Arg Val Ser Asp Lys Leu Asn Ser Asp Asp Pro Arg Arg Ala Leu Gln 335

Met Glu Ile Glu Ala Val Gly Val Ala Met Ser Leu Gly Ala Glu Gly 345

Val Lys Thr Val Ala Arg Gln Ala Pro Lys Val Val Arg Gln Ala Arg 355

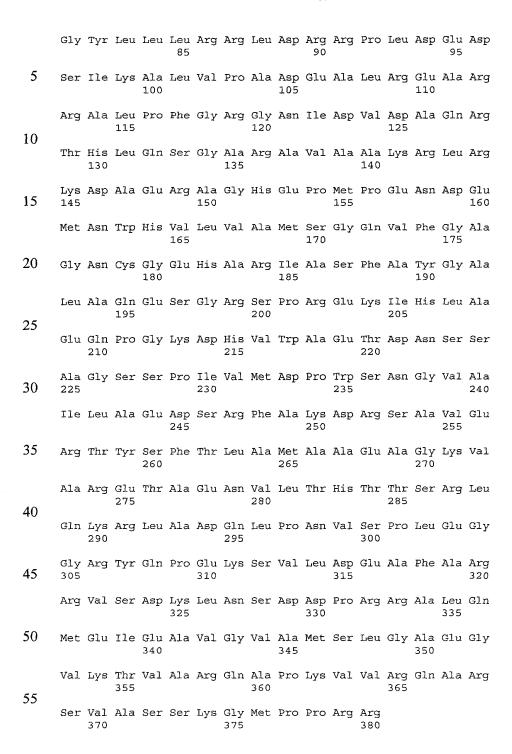
Ser Val Ala Ser Ser Lys Gly Met Pro Pro Arg Arg 380
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This protein or polypeptide has GC content of about 57 percent, an estimated isoelectric point of about 9.5, and an estimated molecular weight of about 41 kDa.

The DNA molecule from *Pseudomonas syringae* pv. *glycinea* which encodes an AvrPphE homolog has a nucleotide sequence (SEQ. ID. No. 41) as follows:

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20
     atgagaattc acagtgctgg tcacagcctg cccgcgccag gccctagcgt ggaaaccact 60
     gaaaaggctg ttcaatcatc atcggcccag aaccccgctt cttgcagttc acaaacagaa 120
     cgtcctgaag ccggttcgac tcaagtgcga ccgaactacc cttactcatc agtcaagaca 180
     cgcttgccac ccgtttcttc cacagggcag gccatttctg acacgccatc ttcattgtcc 240
     ggttacctgc tgttacgtcg gctcgaccga cgtccactgg atgaagacag tatcaaggct 300
25
     ctggttccgg cagacgaagc gttgcgtgaa gcacgccgcg cgttgccctt cggcaggggc 360
     aacattgatg tggatgcaca acgtacccac ctgcaaagcg gcgctcgcgc agtcgctgca 420
     aagegettga gaaaagatge egagegeget ggecatgage egatgeeega gaatgatgag 480
     atgaactggc atgttcttgt cgccatgtca gggcaggtgt ttggcgctgg caactgtggc 540
     gaacatgctc gtatagcaag cttcgcttac ggggccctgg ctcaggaaag cgggcgtagt 600
30
     ccccgcgaaa agattcattt ggccgagcag cccggaaaag atcacgtctg ggctgaaacg 660
     gataattcca gcgctggctc ttcgcccatc gtcatggacc cgtggtctaa cggcgtagcc 720
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35
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     cgagtgagcg acaagttgaa tagtgacgat ccacggcgtg cgttgcagat ggaaattgaa 1020
     gctgttggtg ttgcaatgtc gctgggtgcc gaaggcgtca agacggtcgc ccgacaggcg 1080
     ccaaaggtgg tcaggcaagc cagaagcgtc gcgtcgtcta aaggcatgcc tccacgaaga 1140
                                                                       1143
40
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The amino acid sequence (SEQ. ID. No. 42) for the AvrPphE homolog of *Pseudomonas syringae* pv. *glycinea* is as follows:



This protein or polypeptide has GC content of about 57 percent, an estimated isoelectric point of about 9.1, and an estimated molecular weight of about 41 kDa.

The DNA molecule from *Pseudomonas syringae* pv. *tabaci* which encodes an AvrPphE homolog has a nucleotide sequence (SEQ. ID. No. 43) as follows:

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5
     atgagaattc acagtgctgg tcacagcctg cctgcgccag gccctagcgt ggaaaccact 60
     qaaaaqqctq ttcaatcatc atcggcccag aaccccgctt cttgcagttc acaaacagaa 120
     cgtcctgaag ccggttcgac tcaagtgcga ccgaactacc cttactcatc agtcaagaca 180
     cgcttgccac ccgtttcttc tacagggcag gccatttctg acacgccatc ttcattgccc 240
     ggttacctgc tgttacgtcg gctcgaccga cgtccactgg atgaagacag tatcaaggct 300
10
     ctggttccgg cagacgaagc ggtgcgtgaa gcacgccgcg cgttgccctt cggcaggggc 360
     aacattgatg tggatgcaca acgtacccac ctgcaaagcg gcgctcgcgc agtcgctgca 420
     aagcgcttga gaaaagatgc cgagcgcgct ggccatgagc cgatgcccgg gaatgatgag 480
     atgaactggc atgttcttgt cgccatgtca gggcaggtgt ttggcgctgg caactgtggc 540
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15
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     ttcacecttg caatggcage tgaageegge aaggttacge gtgaaactge egagaaegtt 840
     ctgacccaca cgacaagccg tctgcagaaa cgtcttgctg atcagttgcc gaacgtctca 900
20
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     cgagtgagcg acaagttgaa tagtgacgat ccacggcgtg cgttgcagat ggaaattgaa 1020
     getgttggtg ttgcaatgtc getgggtgcc gaaggcgtca agacggtcgc ccgacaggcg 1080
     ccaaaggtgg tcaggcaagc cagaagcgtc gcgtcgtcta aaggcatgcc tccacgaaga 1140
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The amino acid sequence (SEQ. ID. No. 44) for the AvrPphE homolog of *Pseudomonas syringae* pv. *tabaci* is as follows:

30	Met 1	Arg	Ile	His	Ser 5	Ala	Gly	His	Ser	Leu 10	Pro	Ala	Pro	Gly	Pro 15	Ser
35	Val	Glu	Thr	Thr 20	Glu	Lys	Ala	Val	Gln 25	Ser	Ser	Ser	Ala	Gln 30	Asn	Pro
<i>J J</i>	Ala	Ser	Cys 35	Ser	Ser	Gln	Thr	Glu 40	Arg	Pro	Glu	Ala	Gly 45	Ser	Thr	Gln
40	Val	Arg 50	Pro	Asn	Tyr	Pro	Tyr 55	Ser	Ser	Val	Lys	Thr 60	Arg	Leu	Pro	Pro
	Val 65	Ser	Ser	Thr	Gly	Gln 70	Ala	Ile	Ser	Asp	Thr 75	Pro	Ser	Ser	Leu	Pro 80
45	Gly	Tyr	Leu	Leu	Leu 85	Arg	Arg	Leu	Asp	Arg 90	Arg	Pro	Leu	Asp	Glu 95	Asp
50	Ser	Ile	Lys	Ala 100	Leu	Val	Pro	Ala	Asp 105	Glu	Ala	Val	Arg	Glu 110	Ala	Arg
	Arg	Ala	Leu 115	Pro	Phe	Gly	Arg	Gly 120	Asn	Ile	Asp	Val	Asp 125	Ala	Gln	Arg
55	Thr	His 130	Leu	Gln	Ser	Gly	Ala 135	Arg	Ala	Val	Ala	Ala 140	Lys	Arg	Leu	Arg
	Lys 145	Asp	Ala	Glu	Arg	Ala 150	Gly	His	Glu	Pro	Met 155	Pro	Gly	Asn	Asp	Glu 160

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Met Asn Trp His Val Leu Val Ala Met Ser Gly Gln Val Phe Gly Ala
     Gly Asn Cys Gly Glu His Ala Arg Ile Ala Ser Phe Ala Tyr Gly Ala
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                                     185
     Leu Ala Gln Glu Ser Gly Arg Ser Pro Arg Glu Lys Ile His Leu Ala
10
     Glu Gln Pro Gly Lys Asp His Val Trp Ala Glu Thr Asp Asn Ser Ser
     Ala Gly Ser Ser Pro Ile Val Met Asp Pro Trp Ser Asn Gly Ala Ala
                          230
15
     Ile Leu Ala Glu Asp Ser Arg Phe Ala Lys Asp Arg Ser Ala Val Glu
     Arg Thr Tyr Ser Phe Thr Leu Ala Met Ala Ala Glu Ala Gly Lys Val
20
                                      265
     Thr Arg Glu Thr Ala Glu Asn Val Leu Thr His Thr Thr Ser Arg Leu
                                  280
25
     Gln Lys Arg Leu Ala Asp Gln Leu Pro Asn Val Ser Pro Leu Glu Gly
                              295
     Gly Arg Tyr Gln Gln Glu Lys Ser Val Leu Asp Glu Ala Phe Ala Arg
                                              315
                         310
30
     Arg Val Ser Asp Lys Leu Asn Ser Asp Asp Pro Arg Arg Ala Leu Gln
                                          330
     Met Glu Ile Glu Ala Val Gly Val Ala Met Ser Leu Gly Ala Glu Gly
35
     Val Lys Thr Val Ala Arg Gln Ala Pro Lys Val Val Arg Gln Ala Arg
                                  360
40
     Ser Val Ala Ser Ser Lys Gly Met Pro Pro Arg Arg
                              375
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This protein or polypeptide has GC content of about 57 percent, an estimated isoelectric point of about 9.3, and an estimated molecular weight of about 41 kDa.

Another DNA molecule from *Pseudomonas syringae* pv. *tabaci* which encodes a AvrPphE homolog has a nucleotide sequence (SEQ. ID. No. 45) as follows:

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atgagaatte acagtgetgg teacageetg cetgegeeag geeetagegt ggaaaceact 60
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     gaaaaggctg ttcaatcatc atcggcccag aaccccgctt cttgcagttc acaaacagaa 120
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     egettgecae eegtttette tacagggeag gecatttetg acaegecate tteattgece 240
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55
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     attttggcgg aggacagccg gtttgccaaa gatcgcagtg cggtagagcg aacatattca 780
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cegettgaag gaggeegeta teageaggaa aagteggtge ttgatgagge gttegeeega 960
cgagtgageg acaagttgaa tagtgaegat ecaeggegtg egttgeagat ggaaattgaa 1020
getgttggtg ttgeaatgte getgggtgee gaaggegtea agaeggtege eegacaggeg 1080
ccaaaggtgg teaggeaage eagaagegte gegtegteta aaggeatgee teeaegaaga 1140
taa

The encoded AvrPphE homolog has an amino acid sequence according to SEQ. ID. No. 46 as follows:

Met Arg Ile His Ser Ala Gly His Ser Leu Pro Ala Pro Gly Pro Ser 15 Val Glu Thr Thr Glu Lys Ala Val Gln Ser Ser Ser Ala Gln Asn Pro Ala Ser Cys Ser Ser Gln Thr Glu Arg Pro Glu Ala Gly Ser Thr Gln 20 Val Arg Pro Asn Tyr Pro Tyr Ser Ser Val Lys Thr Arg Leu Pro Pro 25 Val Ser Ser Thr Gly Gln Ala Ile Ser Asp Thr Pro Ser Ser Leu Pro Gly Tyr Leu Leu Leu Arg Arg Leu Asp Arg Arg Pro Leu Asp Glu Asp 30 Ser Ile Lys Ala Leu Val Pro Ala Asp Glu Ala Val Arg Glu Ala Arg Arg Ala Leu Pro Phe Gly Arg Gly Asn Ile Asp Val Asp Ala Gln Arg 35 Thr His Leu Gln Ser Gly Ala Arg Ala Val Ala Ala Lys Arg Leu Arg 40 Lys Asp Ala Glu Arg Ala Gly His Glu Pro Met Pro Gly Asn Asp Glu Met Asn Trp His Val Leu Val Ala Met Ser Gly Gln Val Phe Gly Ala 45 Gly Asn Cys Gly Glu His Ala Arg Ile Ala Ser Phe Ala Tyr Gly Ala 185 Leu Ala Gln Glu Ser Gly Arg Ser Pro Arg Glu Lys Ile His Leu Ala 50 Glu Gln Pro Gly Lys Asp His Val Trp Ala Glu Thr Asp Asn Ser Ser 55 Ala Gly Ser Ser Pro Ile Val Met Asp Pro Trp Ser Asn Gly Ala Ala 230 235 Ile Leu Ala Glu Asp Ser Arg Phe Ala Lys Asp Arg Ser Ala Val Glu 60 Arg Thr Tyr Ser Phe Thr Leu Ala Met Ala Glu Ala Gly Lys Val 265

- Thr Arg Glu Thr Ala Glu Asn Val Leu Thr His Thr Thr Ser Arg Leu 280 Gln Lys Arg Leu Ala Asp Gln Leu Pro Asn Val Ser Pro Leu Glu Gly 5 295 300 Gly Arg Tyr Gln Gln Glu Lys Ser Val Leu Asp Glu Ala Phe Ala Arg 10 Arg Val Ser Asp Lys Leu Asn Ser Asp Asp Pro Arg Arg Ala Leu Gln 325 330 Met Glu Ile Glu Ala Val Gly Val Ala Met Ser Leu Gly Ala Glu Gly 15 Val Lys Thr Val Ala Arg Gln Ala Pro Lys Val Val Arg Gln Ala Arg Ser Val Ala Ser Ser Lys Gly Met Pro Pro Arg Arg 20 375
 - A DNA molecule from *Pseudomonas syringae* pv. *glycinea* race 4 which encodes an AvrPphE homolog has a nucleotide sequence (SEQ. ID. No. 47)

as follows:

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atgagaattc acagtgctgg tcacagcctg cccgcgccag gccctagcgt ggaaaccact 60
     gaaaaggctg ttcaatcatc atcggcccag aaccccgctt cttgcagttc acaaacagaa 120
     cgtcctgaag ccggttcgac tcaagtgcga ccgaactacc cttactcatc agtcaagaca 180
30
     egettgecae cegtttette caeagggeag gecatttetg acaegecate tteattgtee 240
     ggttacctgc tgttacgtcg gctcgaccga cgtccactgg atgaagacag tatcaaggct 300
     etggtteegg cagaegaage gttgegtgaa geaegeegeg egttgeeett eggeagggge 360
     aacattgatg tggatgcaca acgtacccac ctgcaaagcg gcgctcgcgc agtcgctgca 420
     aagcgcttga gaaaagatgc cgagcgcgct ggccatgagc cgatgcccga gaatgatgag 480
35
     atgaactggc atgttcttgt cgccatgtca gggcaggtgt ttggcgctgg caactgtggc 540
     gaacatgete gtatageaag ettegettae ggggeeetgg eteaggaaag egggegtagt 600
     ccccgcgaaa agattcattt ggccgagcag cccggaaaag atcacgtctg ggctgaaacg 660
     gataatteea gegetggete ttegeceate gteatggace egtggtetaa eggegtagee 720
     attttggcgg aggacagccg gtttgccaaa gatcgcagtg cggtagagcg aacatattca 780
40
     ttcaccettg caatggcage tgaageegge aaggttgege gtgaaacege egagaacgtt 840
     etgacecaca egacaageeg tetgeagaaa egtettgetg ateagttgee gaaegtetea 900
     ccgcttgaag gaggccgcta tcagccggaa aagtcggtgc ttgatgaggc gttcgcccga 960
     cgagtgagcg acaagttgaa tagtgacgat ccacggcgtg cgttgcagat ggaaattgaa 1020
     gctgttggtg ttgcaatgtc gctgggtgcc gaaggcgtca agacggtcgc ccgacaggcg 1080
45
     ccaaaggtgg tcaggcaagc cagaagcgtc gcgtcgtcta aaggcatgcc tccacgaaga 1140
     taa
                                                                        1.143
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The encoded AvrPphE homolog has an amino acid sequence according to SEQ. ID.

No. 48 as follows:

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Met Arg Ile His Ser Ala Gly His Ser Leu Pro Ala Pro Gly Pro Ser 1 10 15

55 Val Glu Thr Thr Glu Lys Ala Val Gln Ser Ser Ser Ala Gln Asn Pro 20 25 30

Ala Ser Cys Ser Ser Gln Thr Glu Arg Pro Glu Ala Gly Ser Thr Gln 35 40 45
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	Val	Arg 50	Pro	Asn	Tyr	Pro	Tyr 55	Ser	Ser	Val	Lys	Thr 60	Arg	Leu	Pro	Pro
5	Val 65	Ser	Ser	Thr	Gly	Gln 70	Ala	Ile	Ser	Asp	Thr 75	Pro	Ser	Ser	Leu	Ser 80
	Gly	Tyr	Leu	Leu	Leu 85	Arg	Arg	Leu	Asp	Arg 90	Arg	Pro	Leu	Asp	Glu 95	Asp
10	Ser	Ile	Lys	Ala 100	Leu	Val	Pro	Ala	Asp 105	Glu	Ala	Leu	Arg	Glu 110	Ala	Arg
15	Arg	Ala	Leu 115	Pro	Phe	Gly	Arg	Gly 120	Asn	Ile	Asp	Val	Asp 125	Ala	Gln	Arg
13	Thr	His 130	Leu	Gln	Ser	Gly	Ala 135	Arg	Ala	Val	Ala	Ala 140	Lys	Arg	Leu	Arg
20	Lys 145	Asp	Ala	Glu	Arg	Ala 150	Gly	His	Glu	Pro	Met 155	Pro	Glu	Asn	Asp	Glu 160
	Met	Asn	Trp	His	Val 165	Leu	Val	Ala	Met	Ser 170	Gly	Gln	Val	Phe	Gly 175	Ala
25	Gly	Asn	Cys	Gly 180	Glu	His	Ala	Arg	Ile 185	Ala	Ser	Phe	Ala	Tyr 190	Gly	Ala
30	Leu	Ala	Gln 195	Glu	Ser	Gly	Arg	Ser 200	Pro	Arg	Glu	Lys	Ile 205	His	Leu	Ala
50	Glu	Gln 210	Pro	Gly	Lys	Asp	His 215	Val	Trp	Ala	Glu	Thr 220	Asp	Asn	Ser	Ser
35	Ala 225	Gly	Ser	Ser	Pro	Ile 230	Val	Met	Asp	Pro	Trp 235	Ser	Asn	Gly	Val	Ala 240
	Ile	Leu	Ala	Glu	Asp 245	Ser	Arg	Phe	Ala	Lys 250	Asp	Arg	Ser	Ala	Val 255	Glu
40	Arg	Thr	Tyr	Ser 260	Phe	Thr	Leu	Ala	Met 265	Ala	Ala	Glu	Ala	Gly 270	Lys	Val
45	Ala	Arg	Glu 275	Thr	Ala	Glu	Asn	Val 280	Leu	Thr	His	Thr	Thr 285	Ser	Arg	Leu
	Gln	Lys 290	Arg	Leu	Ala	Asp	Gln 295	Leu	Pro	Asn	Val	Ser 300	Pro	Leu	Glu	Gly
50	Gly 305	Arg	Tyr	Gln	Pro	Glu 310	Lys	Ser	Val	Leu	Asp 315	Glu	Ala	Phe	Ala	Arg 320
	Arg	Val	Ser	Asp	Lys 325	Leu	Asn	Ser	Asp	Asp 330	Pro	Arg	Arg	Ala	Leu 335	Glr
55	Met	Glu	Ile	Glu 340	Ala	Val	Gly	Val	Ala 345	Met	Ser	Leu	Gly	Ala 350	Glu	Gly
60	Val	Lys	Thr 355	Val	Ala	Arg	Gln	Ala 360	Pro	Lys	Val	Val	Arg 365	Gln	Ala	Arg
	Ser	Val 370	Ala	Ser	Ser	Lys	Gly 375	Met	Pro	Pro	Arg	Arg 380				

A DNA molecule from *Pseudomonas syringae* pv. *phaseolicola* strain B130 which encodes AvrPphE has a nucleotide sequence (SEQ. ID. No. 49) as follows:

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5
     atgagaattc acagtgctgg tcacagcctg cccgcgccag gccctagcgt ggaaaccact 60
     gaaaaggctg ttcaatcatc atcggcccag aaccccgctt cttgcagttc acaaacagaa 120
     cgtcctgaag ccggttcgac tcaagtgcga ccgaactacc cttactcatc agtcaagaca 180
     cgcttgccac ccgtttcttc cacagggcag gccatttctg acacgccatc ttcattgccc 240
     ggttacctgc tgttacgtcg gctcgaccga cgtccactgg atgaagacag tatcaaggct 300
10
     ctggttccgg cagacgaagc gttgcgtgaa gcacgccgcg cgttgccctt cggcaggggc 360
     aacattgatg tggatgcaca acgtacccac ctgcaaagcg gcgctcgcgc agtcgctgca 420
     aagegettga gaaaagatge egagegeget ggecatgage egatgeeega gaatgatgag 480
     atgaactggc atgttcttgt cgccatgtca gggcaggtgt ttggcgctgg caactgtggc 540
     gaacatgctc gtatagcaag cttcgcttac ggggccctgg ctcaggaaag cgggcgtagt 600
15
     ccccgcgaaa agattcattt ggccgagcag cccggaaaag atcacgtctg ggctgaaacg 660
     gataatteca gegetggete ttegeceate gteatggace egtggtetaa eggegeagee 720
     attttggcgg aggacagccg gtttgccaaa gatcgcagtg cggtagagcg aacatattca 780
     ttcacccttg caatggcagc tgaagccggc aaggttgcgc gtgaaaccgc cgagaacgtt 840
     ctgacccaca cgacaagccg tctgcagaag cgtcttgctg atcagttgcc gaacgtctca 900
20
     ccgcttgaag gaggccgcta tcagccggaa aagtcggtgc ttgatgaggc gttcgcccga 960
     cgagtgagcg acaagttgaa tagtgacgat ccacggcgtg cgttgcagat ggaaattgaa 1020
     gctgttggtg ttgcaatgtc gctgggtgcc gaaggcgtca agacggtcgc ccgacaggcg 1080
     ccaaaggtgg tcaggcaagc cagaagcgtc gcgtcgtcta aaggcatgcc tccacgaaga 1140
25
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The encoded AvrPphE homolog has an amino acid sequence according to SEQ. ID. No. 50 as follows:

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30
     Met Arg Ile His Ser Ala Gly His Ser Leu Pro Ala Pro Gly Pro Ser
     Val Glu Thr Thr Glu Lys Ala Val Gln Ser Ser Ser Ala Gln Asn Pro
35
     Ala Ser Cys Ser Ser Gln Thr Glu Arg Pro Glu Ala Gly Ser Thr Gln
     Val Arg Pro Asn Tyr Pro Tyr Ser Ser Val Lys Thr Arg Leu Pro Pro
40
     Val Ser Ser Thr Gly Gln Ala Ile Ser Asp Thr Pro Ser Ser Leu Pro
45
     Gly Tyr Leu Leu Arg Arg Leu Asp Arg Pro Leu Asp Glu Asp
     Ser Ile Lys Ala Leu Val Pro Ala Asp Glu Ala Leu Arg Glu Ala Arg
                                     105
50
     Arg Ala Leu Pro Phe Gly Arg Gly Asn Ile Asp Val Asp Ala Gln Arg
     Thr His Leu Gln Ser Gly Ala Arg Ala Val Ala Ala Lys Arg Leu Arg
55
                             135
     Lys Asp Ala Glu Arg Ala Gly His Glu Pro Met Pro Glu Asn Asp Glu
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- Met Asn Trp His Val Leu Val Ala Met Ser Gly Gln Val Phe Gly Ala 170 Gly Asn Cys Gly Glu His Ala Arg Ile Ala Ser Phe Ala Tyr Gly Ala 5 185 Leu Ala Gln Glu Ser Gly Arg Ser Pro Arg Glu Lys Ile His Leu Ala 200 Glu Gln Pro Gly Lys Asp His Val Trp Ala Glu Thr Asp Asn Ser Ser 10 Ala Gly Ser Ser Pro Ile Val Met Asp Pro Trp Ser Asn Gly Ala Ala 230 15 Ile Leu Ala Glu Asp Ser Arg Phe Ala Lys Asp Arg Ser Ala Val Glu Arg Thr Tyr Ser Phe Thr Leu Ala Met Ala Ala Glu Ala Gly Lys Val 20 260 Ala Arg Glu Thr Ala Glu Asn Val Leu Thr His Thr Thr Ser Arg Leu Gln Lys Arg Leu Ala Asp Gln Leu Pro Asn Val Ser Pro Leu Glu Gly 25 Gly Arg Tyr Gln Pro Glu Lys Ser Val Leu Asp Glu Ala Phe Ala Arg 315 30 Arg Val Ser Asp Lys Leu Asn Ser Asp Asp Pro Arg Arg Ala Leu Gln 330 Met Glu Ile Glu Ala Val Gly Val Ala Met Ser Leu Gly Ala Glu Gly 35 345 Val Lys Thr Val Ala Arg Gln Ala Pro Lys Val Val Arg Gln Ala Arg 360 Ser Val Ala Ser Ser Lys Gly Met Pro Pro Arg Arg 40 375 370
- A DNA molecule from *Pseudomonas syringae* pv. *angulata* strain
 45 Pa9 which encodes an AvrPphE homolog has a nucleotide sequence (SEQ. ID.
 No. 51) as follows:

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atgagaattc acagtgctgg tcacagcctg cctgcgccag gccctagcgt ggaaaccact 60
     gaaaaggctg ttcaatcatc atcggcccag aaccccgctt cttacagttc acaaacagaa 120
     cgtcctgaag ccggttcgac tcaagtgcga ctgaactacc cttactcatc agtcaagaca 180
50
     cgcttgccac ccgtttcttc tacagggcag gccatttctg ccacgccatc ttcattgccc 240
     ggttacctgc tgttacgtcg gctcgaccga cgtccactgg atgaagacag tatcaaggct 300
     ctggttccgg cagacgaagc ggtgcgtgaa gcacgccgcg cgttgccctt cggcaggggc 360
     aacattgatg tggatgcaca acgtacccac ctgcaaagcg gcgctcgcgc agtcgctgca 420
     aagcgcttga gaaaagatgc cgagcgcgct ggccatgagc cgatgcccgg gaatgatgag 480
55
     atgaactggc atgttcttgt cgccatgtca gggcaggtgt ttggcgctgg caactgtggc 540
     gaacatgctc gtatagcaag cttcgcttac ggggccctgg ctcaggaaag cgggcgtagt 600
     ccccgcgaaa agattcattt ggccgagcag cccggaaaag atcacgtctg ggctgaaacg 660
     gataattcca gcgctggctc ttcgcccatc gtcatggacc cgtggtctaa cggcgcagcc 720
     attttggcgg aggacagccg gtttgccaaa gatcgcagta cggtagagcg aacatattca 780
60
     ttcacccttg caatggcagc tgaagccggc aaggttacgc gtgaaaccgc cgagaacgtt 840
     ctgacccaca cgacaagccg tctgcagaaa cgtcttgctg atcagttgcc gaacgtctca 900
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ccgcttgaag gaggccgcta tcagcaggaa aagtcggtgc ttgatgaggc gttcgcccga 960 cgagtgagcg acaagttgaa tagtgacgat ccacggcgtg cgttgcagat ggaaattgaa 1020 gctgttggtg ttgcaatgtc gctgggtgcc gaaggcgtca agacggtcgc ccgacaggcg 1080 ccaaaaggtgg tcaggcaagc cagaagcgtc gcgtcgtcta aaggcatgcc tccacgaaga 1140 taa

The encoded AvrPphE homolog has an amino acid sequence according to SEQ. ID. No. 52 as follows:

10	Met	Arg	Ile	His	Ser	Ala	Gly	His	Ser	Leu	Pro	Ala	Pro	Gly	Pro	Ser
	1				5		_			10					15	
15	Val	Glu	Thr	Thr 20	Glu	Lys	Ala	Va1	Gln 25	Ser	Ser	Ser	Ala	Gln 30	Asn	Pro
	Ala	Ser	Tyr 35	Ser	Ser	Gln	Thr	Glu 40	Arg	Pro	Glu	Ala	Gly 45	Ser	Thr	Gln
20	Val	Arg 50	Leu	Asn	Tyr	Pro	Tyr 55	Ser	Ser	Val	Lys	Thr 60	Arg	Leu	Pro	Pro
25	Val 65	Ser	Ser	Thr	Gly	Gln 70	Ala	Ile	Ser	Ala	Thr 75	Pro	Ser	Ser	Leu	Pro 80
23	Gly	Tyr	Leu	Leu	Leu 85	Arg	Arg	Leu	Asp	Arg 90	Arg	Pro	Leu	Asp	Glu 95	Asp
30	Ser	Ile	Lys	Ala 100	Leu	Val	Pro	Ala	Asp 105	Glu	Ala	Val	Arg	Glu 110	Ala	Arg
	Arg	Ala	Leu 115	Pro	Phe	Gly	Arg	Gly 120	Asn	Ile	Asp	Val	Asp 125	Ala	Gln	Arg
35	Thr	His 130	Leu	Gln	Ser	Gly	Ala 135	Arg	Ala	Val	Ala	Ala 140	Lys	Arg	Leu	Arg
40	Lys 145	Asp	Ala	Glu	Arg	Ala 150	Gly	His	Glu	Pro	Met 155	Pro	Gly	Asn	Asp	Glu 160
40	Met	Asn	Trp	His	Val 165	Leu	Val	Ala	Met	Ser 170	Gly	Gln	Val	Phe	Gly 175	Ala
45	Gly	Asn	Cys	Gly 180	Glu	His	Ala	Arg	Ile 185	Ala	Ser	Phe	Ala	Tyr 190	Gly	Ala
	Leu	Ala	Gln 195	Glu	Ser	Gly	Arg	Ser 200	Pro	Arg	Glu	Lys	Ile 205	His	Leu	Ala
50	Glu	Gln 210	Pro	Gly	Lys	Asp	His 215	Val	Trp	Ala	Glu	Thr 220	Asp	Asn	Ser	Ser
55	Ala 225	Gly	Ser	Ser	Pro	Ile 230	Val	Met	Asp	Pro	Trp 235	Ser	Asn	Gly	Ala	Ala 240
33	Ile	Leu	Ala	Glu	Asp 245	Ser	Arg	Phe	Ala	Lys 250	Asp	Arg	Ser	Thr	Val 255	Glu
60	Arg	Thr	Tyr	Ser 260	Phe	Thr	Leu	Ala	Met 265	Ala	Ala	Glu	Ala	Gly 270	Lys	Val
	Thr	Arg	Glu 275	Thr	Ala	Glu	Asn	Val 280	Leu	Thr	His	Thr	Thr 285	Ser	Arg	Leu

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Gln Lys Arg Leu Ala Asp Gln Leu Pro Asn Val Ser Pro Leu Glu Gly 290

5 Gly Arg Tyr Gln Gln Glu Lys Ser Val Leu Asp Glu Ala Phe Ala Arg 300

Arg Val Ser Asp Lys Leu Asn Ser Asp Asp Asp Pro Arg Arg Ala Leu Gln 335

Met Glu Ile Glu Ala Val Gly Val Ala Met Ser Leu Gly 350

Val Lys Thr Val Ala Arg Gln Ala Pro Lys Val Val Arg Gln Ala Arg 370

Ser Val Ala Ser Ser Lys Gly Met Pro Pro Arg Arg 380

Fro Leu Glu Ala Glu Gly Gly Ser Val Arg 375
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A DNA molecule from *Pseudomonas syringae* pv. *delphinii* strain PDDCC529 which encodes a AvrPphE homolog has a nucleotide sequence (SEQ. ID. No. 53) as follows:

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25
     atgaaaatac ataacgctgg cccaagcatt ccgatgcccg ctccatcgat tgagagcgct 60
     ggcaagactg cgcaatcatc attggctcaa ccgcagagcc aacgagccac ccccgtctcg 120
     ccatcagaga cttctgatgc ccgtccgtcc agtgtgcgta cgaactaccc ttattcatca 180
     gtcaaaacac ggttgcctcc cgttgcgtct gcagggcagc cactgtccgg gatgccgtct 240
     teattaceeg getaettget gttacgtegg ettgaceate gteeaetgga teaagaeggt 300
30
     atcaaaggtt tgattccagc agatgaagcg gtgggtgaag cacgtcgcgc gttgcctttc 360
     ggcaggggca atatcgacgt ggatgcgcaa cgctccaact tggaaagcgg agcccgcaca 420
     ctcgcggcta ggcgtttgag aaaagatgcc gaggccgcgg gtcacgaacc aatgcctgca 480
     aatgaagata tgaactggca tgttcttgtt gcgatgtcag gacaggtttt tggcgcaggt 540
     aactgcgggg aacatgcccg catagcgagt ttcgcctacg gtgcactggc tcaggaaaaa 600
35
     gggcggaacg ccgatgagac tattcatttg gctgcgcaac gcggtaaaga ccacgtctgg 660
     gctgaaacgg acaattcaag cgctggatct tcaccggttg tcatggatcc gtggtcgaac 720
     ggtcctgcca tttttgcgga ggatagtcgg tttgccaaag atcgaagtac ggtagaacga 780
     acggatteet teacgettge aactgetget gaagcaggea agateaegeg agagaeggee 840
     gagaatgett tgacacagge gaccageegt ttgcagaaac gtettgetga tcagaaaacg 900
40
     caagtetege egettgeagg agggegetat eggeaagaaa atteggtget tgatgaegeg 960
     ttcqcccqac qqqcaaqtqq caaqttqaqc aacaaqqatc cqcqqcatqc attacaqgtq 1020
     gaaatcgagg cggccgcagt tgcaatgtcg ctgggcgccc aaggcgtaaa agcggttgcg 1080
     gaacaggccc ggacggtagt tgaacaagcc aggaaggtcg catctcccca aggcacgcct 1140
     cagcgagata cgtga
45
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The encoded AvrPphE homolog has an amino acid sequence according to SEQ. ID. No. 54 as follows:

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50 Met Lys Ile His Asn Ala Gly Pro Ser Ile Pro Met Pro Ala Pro Ser 1 1 5 15

Ile Glu Ser Ala Gly Lys Thr Ala Gln Ser Ser Leu Ala Gln Pro Gln 20 25 30

Ser Gln Arg Ala Thr Pro Val Ser Pro Ser Glu Thr Ser Asp Ala Arg 35 40 45

Pro Ser Ser Val Arg Thr Asn Tyr Pro Tyr Ser Ser Val Lys Thr Arg 50 55
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	Leu 65	Pro	Pro	Val	Ala	Ser 70	Ala	Gly	Gln	Pro	Leu 75	Ser	Gly	Met	Pro	Ser 80
5	Ser	Leu	Pro	Gly	Tyr 85	Leu	Leu	Leu	Arg	Arg 90	Leu	Asp	His	Arg	Pro 95	Leu
10	Asp	Gln	Asp	Gly 100	Ile	Lys	Gly	Leu	Ile 105	Pro	Ala	Asp	Glu	Ala 110	Val	Gly
10	Glu	Ala	Arg 115	Arg	Ala	Leu	Pro	Phe 120	Gly	Arg	Gly	Asn	Ile 125	Asp	Val	Asp
15	Ala	Gln 130	Arg	Ser	Asn	Leu	Glu 135	Ser	Gly	Ala	Arg	Thr 140	Leu	Ala	Ala	Arg
	Arg 145	Leu	Arg	Lys	Asp	Ala 150	Glu	Ala	Ala	Gly	His 155	Glu	Pro	Met	Pro	Ala 160
20	Asn	Glu	Asp	Met	Asn 165	Trp	His	Val	Leu	Val 170	Ala	Met	Ser	Gly	Gln 175	Val
25	Phe	Gly	Ala	Gly 180	Asn	Cys	Gly	Glu	His 185	Ala	Arg	Ile	Ala	Ser 190	Phe	Ala
20	Tyr	Gly	Ala 195	Leu	Ala	Gln	Glu	Lys 200	Gly	Arg	Asn	Ala	Asp 205	Glu	Thr	Ile
30	His	Leu 210	Ala	Ala	Gln	Arg	Gly 215	Lys	Asp	His	Val	Trp 220	Ala	Glu	Thr	Asp
	Asn 225	Ser	Ser	Ala	Gly	Ser 230	Ser	Pro	Val	Val	Met 235	Asp	Pro	Trp	Ser	Asn 240
35	Gly	Pro	Ala	Ile	Phe 245	Ala	Glu	Asp	Ser	Arg 250	Phe	Ala	Lys	Asp	Arg 255	Ser
40	Thr	Val	Glu	Arg 260	Thr	Asp	Ser	Phe	Thr 265	Leu	Ala	Thr	Ala	Ala 270	Glu	Ala
70	Gly	Lys	Ile 275	Thr	Arg	Glu	Thr	Ala 280	Glu	Asn	Ala	Leu	Thr 285	Gln	Ala	Thr
45	Ser	Arg 290	Leu	Gln	Lys	Arg	Leu 295	Ala	Asp	Gln	Lys	Thr 300	Gln	Val	Ser	Pro
	Leu 305	Ala	Gly	Gly	Arg	Tyr 310	Arg	Gln	Glu	Asn	Ser 315	Val	Leu	Asp	Asp	Ala 320
50	Phe	Ala	Arg	Arg	Ala 325	Ser	Gly	Lys	Leu	Ser 330	Asn	Lys	Asp	Pro	Arg 335	His
55	Ala	Leu	Gln	Val 340	Glu	Ile	Glu	Ala	Ala 345	Ala	Val	Ala	Met	Ser 350	Leu	Gly
55	Ala	Gln	Gly 355	Val	Lys	Ala	Val	Ala 360	Glu	Gln	Ala	Arg	Thr 365	Val	Val	Glu
60	Gln	Ala 370	Arg	Lys	Val	Ala	Ser 375	Pro	Gln	Gly	Thr	Pro 380	Gln	Arg	Asp	Thr

A DNA molecule from *Pseudomonas syringae* pv. *delphinii* strain PDDCC529 which encodes a homolog of *P. syringae* pv. tomato DC3000 EEL *ORF2* has a nucleotide sequence (SEQ. ID. No. 55) as follows:

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5
     gtggttgagc gaaccggcac tgcatatcga aggcgtggag cagcctgctc gcgtatcacg 60
     agccaaaatc aggtccgacg acgctttgga attacggtga atcagatgca aaagacgtcc 120
     ctattggctt tggcctttgc aatcctggca gggtgtgggg gttcggggca ggcgccgggg 180
     agtgatattc agggtgccca ggcagagatg aaaacaccca ttaaagtaga tctggatgcc 240
     tacacctcaa aaaaacttga tgctgtgttg gaagctcggg ccaataaaag ctatgtgaat 300
10
     aaaqqtcaac tqatcqacct tqtqtcaqqq qcqtttttqq gaacaccqta ccgctcaaac 360
     atgttggtgg gcacagagga aatacctgaa cagttagtca tcgactttag aggtctggat 420
     tgttttgctt atctggatta cgtagaggcg ttgcgaagat caacatcgca gcaggatttt 480
     gtgaggaatc tcgttcaggt tcgttacaag ggtggtgatg ttgacttttt gaatcgcaag 540
     cactttttca cggattgggc ttatggcact acacaccgg tggcggatga catcaccacg 600
15
     cagataagcc ccggtgcggt aagtgtcaga aaacgcctta atgaaagggc caaaggcaaa 660
     gtctatctgc caggtttgcc tgtggttgag cgcagcatga cctatatccc gagccgcctt 720
     qtcqacaqtc aqqtqqtaaq ccacttgcgc acaggtgatt acatcggcat ttacaccccg 780
     cttcccgggc tggatgtgac gcacgtcggt ttctttatca tgacggataa aggccctgtc 840
     ttgcgaaatg catcttcacg aaaagaaaac agaaaggtaa tggatttgcc ttttctggac 900
20
     tatgtatcgg aaaagccagg gattgttgtt ttcagggcaa aagacaattg a
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The encoded protein or polypeptide has an amino acid sequence according to SEQ. ID. No. 56 as follows:

25																
	Val 1	Val	Glu	Arg	Thr 5	Gly	Thr	Ala	Tyr	Arg 10	Arg	Arg	Gly	Ala	Ala 15	Cys
30	Ser	Arg	Ile	Thr 20	Ser	Gln	Asn	Gln	Val 25	Arg	Arg	Arg	Phe	Gly 30	Ile	Thr
	Val	Asn	Gln 35	Met	Gln	Lys	Thr	Ser 40	Leu	Leu	Ala	Leu	Ala 45	Phe	Ala	Ile
35	Leu	Ala 50	Gly	Cys	Gly	Gly	Ser 55	Gly	Gln	Ala	Pro	Gly 60	Ser	Asp	Ile	Gln
40	Gly 65	Ala	Gln	Ala	Glu	Met 70	Lys	Thr	Pro	Ile	Lys 75	Val	Asp	Leu	Asp	Ala 80
40	Tyr	Thr	Ser	Lys	Lys 85	Leu	Asp	Ala	Val	Leu 90	Glu	Ala	Arg	Ala	Asn 95	Lys
45	Ser	Tyr	Val	Asn 100	Lys	Gly	Gln	Leu	Ile 105	Asp	Leu	Val	Ser	Gly 110	Ala	Phe
	Leu	Gly	Thr 115	Pro	Tyr	Arg	Ser	Asn 120	Met	Leu	Val	Gly	Thr 125	Glu	Glu	Ile
50	Pro	Glu 130	Gln	Leu	Val	Ile	Asp 135	Phe	Arg	Gly	Leu	Asp 140	Cys	Phe	Ala	Tyr
55	Leu 145	Asp	Tyr	Val	Glu	Ala 150	Leu	Arg	Arg	Ser	Thr 155	Ser	Gln	Gln	Asp	Phe 160
55	Val	Arg	Asn	Leu	Val 165	Gln	Val	Arg	Tyr	Lys 170	Gly	Gly	Asp	Val	Asp 175	Phe
60	Leu	Asn	Arg	Lys 180	His	Phe	Phe	Thr	Asp 185	Trp	Ala	Tyr	Gly	Thr 190	Thr	His

	Pro	Val	Ala 195	Asp	Asp	Ile	Thr	Thr 200	Gln	Ile	Ser	Pro	Gly 205	Ala	Val	Ser
5	Val	Arg 210	Lys	Arg	Leu	Asn	Glu 215	Arg	Ala	Lys	Gly	Lys 220	Val	Tyr	Leu	Pro
10	Gly 225	Leu	Pro	Val	Val	Glu 230	Arg	Ser	Met	Thr	Tyr 235	Ile	Pro	Ser	Arg	Leu 240
10	Val	Asp	Ser	Gln	Val 245	Val	Ser	His	Leu	Arg 250	Thr	Gly	Asp	Tyr	Ile 255	Gly
15	Ile	Tyr	Thr	Pro 260	Leu	Pro	Gly	Leu	Asp 265	Val	Thr	His	Val	Gly 270	Phe	Phe
	Ile	Met	Thr 275	Asp	Lys	Gly	Pro	Val 280	Leu	Arg	Asn	Ala	Ser 285	Ser	Arg	Lys
20	Glu	Asn 290	Arg	Lys	Val	Met	Asp 295	Leu	Pro	Phe	Leu	Asp 300	Tyr	Val	Ser	Glu
25	Lys 305	Pro	Gly	Ile	Val	Val 310	Phe	Arg	Ala	Lys	Asp 315	Asn				

A DNA molecule from *Pseudomonas syringae* pv. *delphinii* strain PDDCC529 ORF1 encodes a homolog of AvrPphF and has a nucleotide sequence (SEQ. ID. No. 57) as follows:

atgaaaaact catttgatct tcttgtcgac ggtttggcga aagactacag catgccgaat 60 ttgccgaaca agaaacacga caatgaagtc tattgcttca cattccagag cgggctcgaa 120 gtaaacattt atcaggacga ctgtcgatgg gtgcatttct ccgccacaat cggacaattt 180 caagacgcca gcaatgacac gctcagccac gcacttcaac tgaacaattt cagtcttgga 240 aagcccttct tcacctttgg aatgaacgga gaaaaggtcg gcgtacttca cacacgcgtt 300 ccgttgattg aaatgaatac cgttgaaatg cgcaaggtat tcgaggactt gctcgatgta 360 gcaggcggca tcagagcgac attcaagctc agttaa

The encoded AvrPhpF homolog has an amino acid sequence according to SEQ. ID. No. 58 as follows:

His Thr Arg Val Pro Leu Ile Glu Met Asn Thr Val Glu Met Arg Lys
100

Val Phe Glu Asp Leu Leu Asp Val Ala Gly Gly Ile Arg Ala Thr Phe
115

Lys Leu Ser
130

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A DNA molecule from *Pseudomonas syringae* pv. *delphinii* strain PDDCC529 ORF1 encodes a homolog of AvrPphF and has a nucleotide sequence (SEQ. ID. No. 59) as follows:

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atgagtacta tacctggcac ctcgggcgct cacccgattt atagctcaat ttccagccca 60 cgaaatatgt ctggctcgcc cacaccgagt caccgtattg gcggggaaac cctgacctct 120 attcatcage tctctgccag ccagagagaa caatttctga atactcatga ccccatgaga 180 aaactcagga ttaacaatga tacgccactg tacagaacaa ccgagaagcg ttttatacag 240 gaaggcaaac tggccggcaa tccaaagtct attgcacgtg tcaacttgca cgaagaactg 300 cagcttaatc cgctcgccag tattttaggg aacttacctc acgaggcaag cgcttacttt 360 ccgaaaagcg cccgcgctgc ggatctgaaa gacccttcat tgaatgtaat gacaggctct 420 cgggcaaaaa atgctattcg cggctacgct catgacgacc atgtggcggt caagatgcga 480 ctgggcgagct ttcttgaaaa aggcggcaag gtgtacgcg acacttcatc agtcattgac 540 ggcggagacg aggcgagcg gctgatcgtt acattgccta aaggacaaaa agtccagtc 600 gagattatcc ctacccataa cgacaacagc aataaaggca gaggctga 648
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The encoded AvrPphF homolog has an amino acid sequence according to SEQ. ID. No. 60 as follows:

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     Met Ser Thr Ile Pro Gly Thr Ser Gly Ala His Pro Ile Tyr Ser Ser
     Ile Ser Ser Pro Arg Asn Met Ser Gly Ser Pro Thr Pro Ser His Arg
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                                      25
     Ile Gly Gly Glu Thr Leu Thr Ser Ile His Gln Leu Ser Ala Ser Gln
                                  40
40
     Arg Glu Gln Phe Leu Asn Thr His Asp Pro Met Arg Lys Leu Arg Ile
     Asn Asn Asp Thr Pro Leu Tyr Arg Thr Thr Glu Lys Arg Phe Ile Gln
                          70
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     Glu Gly Lys Leu Ala Gly Asn Pro Lys Ser Ile Ala Arg Val Asn Leu
     His Glu Glu Leu Gln Leu Asn Pro Leu Ala Ser Ile Leu Gly Asn Leu
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                                     105
     Pro His Glu Ala Ser Ala Tyr Phe Pro Lys Ser Ala Arg Ala Asp
                                 120
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     Leu Lys Asp Pro Ser Leu Asn Val Met Thr Gly Ser Arg Ala Lys Asn
                             135
     Ala Ile Arg Gly Tyr Ala His Asp Asp His Val Ala Val Lys Met Arg
                         150
                                          155
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- Leu Gly Asp Phe Leu Glu Lys Gly Gly Lys Val Tyr Ala Asp Thr Ser 165 170 175

 Ser Val Ile Asp Gly Gly Asp Glu Ala Ser Ala Leu Ile Val Thr Leu 180 185
- Pro Lys Gly Gln Lys Val Pro Val Glu Ile Ile Pro Thr His Asn Asp 195 200 205
- 10 Asn Ser Asn Lys Gly Arg Gly 215

A DNA molecule from Pseudomonas syringae pv. syringae strain

226 encodes a homolog of HopPsyA and has a nucleotide sequence (SEQ. ID.No. 61) as follows:

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qtqaacccta tccatqcacq cttctccaqc qtaqaaqcqc tcaqacattc aaacqttgat 60
     attcaggcaa tcaaatccga gggtcagttg gaagtcaacg gcaagcgtta cgagattcgt 120
20
     geggeegetg aeggeteaat egeggteete agaeeegate aacagteeaa ageagaeaag 180
     ttcttcaaag gcgcagcgca tcttattggc ggacaaagcc agcgtgccca aatagcccag 240
     gtactcaacg agaaagcggc ggcagttcca cgcctggaca gaatgttggg cagacgcttc 300
     gatetggaga agggeggaag tagegetgtg ggegeegeaa teaaggetge egacageega 360
     ctgacatcaa aacagacatt tgccagcttc cagcaatggg ctgaaaaaagc tgaggcgctc 420
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     gggcgcgata ccgaaatcgg tatctacatg atctacaaga gggacacgcc agacacaacg 480
     cctatgaatg cggcagagca agaacattac ctggaaacgc tacaggctct cgataacaag 540
     aaaaacctta tcatacgccc gcagatccat gatgatcggg aagaggaaga gcttgatctg 600
     ggccgataca tcgctgaaga cagaaatgcc agaaccggct tttttagaat ggttcctaaa 660
     gaccaacgcg cacctgagac aaactcggga cgacttacca ttggtgtaga acctaaatat 720
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     ggagcgcagt tggccctcgc aatggcaacc ctgatggaca agcacaaatc tgtgacacaa 780
     ggtaaagtcg tcggtccggc aaaatatggc cagcaaactg actctgccat tctttacata 840
     aatggtgatc ttgcaaaagc agtaaaactg ggcgaaaagc tgaaaaagct gagcggtatc 900
     cctcctgaag gattcgtcga acatacaccg ctaagcatgc agtcgacggg tctcggtctt 960
     tettatgeeg agteggttga agggeageet teeageeaeg gacaggegag aacacaegtt 1020
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     atcatggatg ccttgaaagg ccagggccc atggagaaca gactcaaaat ggcgctggca 1080
     gaaagaggct atgacccgga aaatccggcg ctcagggcgc gaaactga
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The encoded HopPsyA homolog has an amino acid sequence according to SEQ. ID.

40 No. 62 as follows:

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Val Asn Pro Ile His Ala Arg Phe Ser Ser Val Glu Ala Leu Arg His

1 5 10 15

45 Ser Asn Val Asp Ile Gln Ala Ile Lys Ser Glu Gly Gln Leu Glu Val
20 25 30

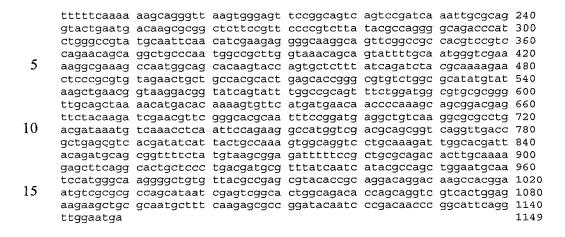
Asn Gly Lys Arg Tyr Glu Ile Arg Ala Ala Ala Asp Gly Ser Ile Ala
35 40 45
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- Val Leu Arg Pro Asp Gln Gln Ser Lys Ala Asp Lys Phe Phe Lys Gly 50 55 60
- Ala Ala His Leu Ile Gly Gly Gln Ser Gln Arg Ala Gln Ile Ala Gln 55 65 70 75 80
 - Val Leu Asn Glu Lys Ala Ala Ala Val Pro Arg Leu Asp Arg Met Leu 95 95

Gly Arg Arg Phe Asp Leu Glu Lys Gly Gly Ser Ser Ala Val Gly Ala Ala Ile Lys Ala Ala Asp Ser Arg Leu Thr Ser Lys Gln Thr Phe Ala 5 Ser Phe Gln Gln Trp Ala Glu Lys Ala Glu Ala Leu Gly Arg Asp Thr 10 Glu Ile Gly Ile Tyr Met Ile Tyr Lys Arg Asp Thr Pro Asp Thr Thr 150 155 Pro Met Asn Ala Ala Glu Gln Glu His Tyr Leu Glu Thr Leu Gln Ala 15 Leu Asp Asn Lys Lys Asn Leu Ile Ile Arg Pro Gln Ile His Asp Asp 185 Arg Glu Glu Glu Leu Asp Leu Gly Arg Tyr Ile Ala Glu Asp Arg 20 200 195 Asn Ala Arg Thr Gly Phe Phe Arg Met Val Pro Lys Asp Gln Arg Ala 215 25 Pro Glu Thr Asn Ser Gly Arg Leu Thr Ile Gly Val Glu Pro Lys Tyr Gly Ala Gln Leu Ala Leu Ala Met Ala Thr Leu Met Asp Lys His Lys 245 250 30 Ser Val Thr Gln Gly Lys Val Val Gly Pro Ala Lys Tyr Gly Gln Gln 265 Thr Asp Ser Ala Ile Leu Tyr Ile Asn Gly Asp Leu Ala Lys Ala Val 35 Lys Leu Gly Glu Lys Leu Lys Lys Leu Ser Gly Ile Pro Pro Glu Gly 295 300 40 Phe Val Glu His Thr Pro Leu Ser Met Gln Ser Thr Gly Leu Gly Leu Ser Tyr Ala Glu Ser Val Glu Gly Gln Pro Ser Ser His Gly Gln Ala 45 Arg Thr His Val Ile Met Asp Ala Leu Lys Gly Gln Gly Pro Met Glu 345 Asn Arg Leu Lys Met Ala Leu Ala Glu Arg Gly Tyr Asp Pro Glu Asn 50 360 Pro Ala Leu Arg Ala Arg Asn 370 375

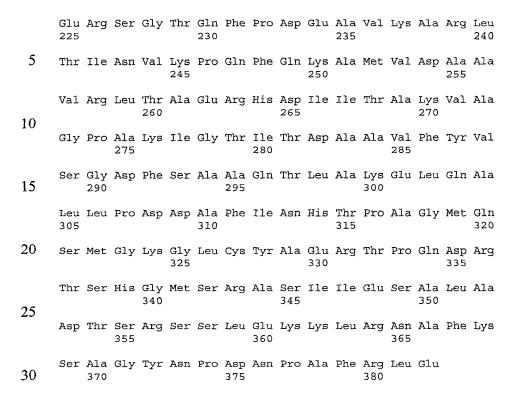
A DNA molecule from *Pseudomonas syringae* pv. *atrofaciens* strain. B143 encodes a homolog of HopPsyA and has a nucleotide sequence (SEQ. ID. No. 63) as follows:

atgaacccga tacaaacgcg tttctctaac gtcgaagcac ttagacattc agaggtggat 60 gtacaggagc tcaaagcaca cggtcaaata gaagtgggtg gcaaatgcta cgacattcgc 120 gcggctgcca ataacgacct gactgtccag cgttctgaca aacagatggc gatgagcaag 180



The encoded HopPsyA homolog has an amino acid sequence according to SEQ. ID. No. 64 as follows:

Met Asn Pro Ile Gln Thr Arg Phe Ser Asn Val Glu Ala Leu Arg His 25 Ser Glu Val Asp Val Gln Glu Leu Lys Ala His Gly Gln Ile Glu Val Gly Gly Lys Cys Tyr Asp Ile Arg Ala Ala Ala Asn Asn Asp Leu Thr 30 Val Gln Arg Ser Asp Lys Gln Met Ala Met Ser Lys Phe Phe Lys Lys 35 Ala Gly Leu Ser Gly Ser Ser Gly Ser Gln Ser Asp Gln Ile Ala Gln Val Leu Asn Asp Lys Arg Gly Ser Ser Val Pro Arg Leu Ile Arg Gln 40 Gly Gln Thr His Leu Gly Arg Met Gln Phe Asn Ile Glu Glu Gly Gln 105 Gly Ser Ser Ala Ala Thr Ser Val Gln Asn Ser Arg Leu Pro Asn Gly 45 Arg Leu Val Asn Ser Ser Ile Leu Gln Trp Val Glu Lys Ala Lys Ala 135 50 Asn Gly Ser Thr Ser Thr Ser Ala Leu Tyr Gln Ile Tyr Ala Lys Glu 150 155 Leu Pro Arg Val Glu Leu Leu Pro Arg Thr Glu His Arg Ala Cys Leu 55 Ala His Met Tyr Lys Leu Asn Gly Lys Asp Gly Ile Ser Ile Trp Pro 185 Gln Phe Leu Asp Gly Val Arg Gly Leu Gln Leu Lys His Asp Thr Lys 60 195 Val Phe Met Met Asn Asn Pro Lys Ala Ala Asp Glu Phe Tyr Lys Ile 215 220



A DNA molecule from *Pseudomonas syringae* pv. *tomato* strain DC3000 encodes a homolog of HopPtoA, identified herein as HopPtoA2, and has a nucleotide sequence (SEQ. ID. No. 65) as follows:

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atgeacatea accaateege ceaacaaceg cetggegttg caatggagag tttteggaca 60
     getteegaeg egteeettge ttegagttet gtgeggtetg teageactae etegtgeege 120
     gatctacaag ctattaccga ttatctgaaa catcacgtgt tcgctgcgca caggttttcg 180
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     gtaatagget eaceggatga gegtgatgee getettgeac acaacgagea gategatgeg 240
     ttggtagaga cacgcgccaa ccgcctgtac tccgaagggg agacccccgc aaccatcgcc 300
     gaaacattcg ccaaggcgga aaagttcgac cgtttggcga cgaccgcatc aagtgctttt 360
     gagaacacgc catttgccgc tgcctcggtg cttcagtaca tgcagcctgc gatcaacaag 420
     ggcgattggc tagcaacgcc gctcaagccg ctgaccccgc tcatttccgg agcgctgtcg 480
45
     ggagccatgg accaggtggg caccaaaatg atggatcgtg cgaggggtga tetgcattac 540
     ctgagcactt cgccggacaa gttgcatgat gcgatggccg tatcggtgaa gcgccactcg 600
     cctgcgcttg gtcgacaggt tgtggacatg gggattgcag tgcagacgtt ctcggcgcta 660
     aatgtggtgc gtaccgtatt ggctccagca ctagcgtcca gaccgtcggt gcagggtgct 720
     gttgattttg gcgtatctac ggcgggtggc ttggttgcga atgcaggett tggcgaccge 780
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     atgctcagtg tgcaatcgcg cgatcaactg cgtgggggg cattcgtact tggcatgaaa 840
     gataaagagc ccaaggccgc gttgagtgaa gaaactgatt ggcttgatgc ttacaaagcg 900
     atcaagtcgg ccagctactc aggtgcggcg ctcaatgcgg gcaagcggat ggccggcctg 960
     ccactggacg tcgcgaccga cgggctcaag gcggtgagaa gtctggtgtc ggccaccagc 1020
     ctgacaaaaa atggcctggc cctagccggt ggttacgccg gggtaagtaa gttgcagaaa 1080
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     atggcgacga aaaatatcac tgattcggcg accaaggctg cggttagtca gctgagcaac 1140
     ctggtgggtt cggtaggcgt tttcgcaggc tggaccaccg ctggactggc gactgaccct 1200
     geggttaaga aageegagte gtttatacag gataaggtga aategacege atetagtace 1260
     acaagctatg ttgccgacca gaccgtcaaa ctggcgaaaa cagtcaagga catgagcggg 1320
     gaggegatet ecageacegg tgecagetta egeagtactg teaataacet gegteatege 1380
60
     tccgctccgg aagctgatat cgaagaaggt gggatttcgg cgttttctcg aagtgaaaca 1440
     ccgtttcagc tcaggcgttt gtaa
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Although *hopPtoA2* does not lie within the CEL, it is included here as a homolog of *hopPtoA*, which corresponds to CEL *ORF5* as noted above. The encoded HopPtoA2 protein or polypeptide has an amino acid sequence according to SEQ. ID. No. 66 as follows:

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5	Met 1	His	Ile	Asn	Gln 5	Ser	Ala	Gln	Gln	Pro 10	Pro	Gly	Val	Ala	Met 15	Glu
10	Ser	Phe	Arg	Thr 20	Ala	Ser	Asp	Ala	Ser 25	Leu	Ala	Ser	Ser	Ser 30	Val	Arg
	Ser	Val	Ser 35	Thr	Thr	Ser	Cys	Arg 40	Asp	Leu	Gln	Ala	Ile 45	Thr	Asp	Tyr
15	Leu	Lys 50	His	His	Val	Phe	Ala 55	Ala	His	Arg	Phe	Ser 60	Val	Ile	Gly	Ser
20	Pro 65	Asp	Glu	Arg	Asp	Ala 70	Ala	Leu	Ala	His	Asn 75	Glu	Gln	Ile	Asp	Ala 80
20	Leu	Val	Glu	Thr	Arg 85	Ala	Asn	Arg	Leu	Tyr 90	Ser	Glu	Gly	Glu	Thr 95	Pro
25	Ala	Thr	Ile	Ala 100	Glu	Thr	Phe	Ala	Lys 105	Ala	Glu	Lys	Phe	Asp 110	Arg	Leu
	Ala	Thr	Thr 115	Ala	Ser	Ser	Ala	Phe 120	Glu	Asn	Thr	Pro	Phe 125	Ala	Ala	Ala
30	Ser	Val 130	Leu	Gln	Tyr	Met	Gln 135	Pro	Ala	Ile	Asn	Lys 140	Gly	Asp	Trp	Leu
35	Ala 145	Thr	Pro	Leu	Lys	Pro 150	Leu	Thr	Pro	Leu	Ile 155	Ser	Gly	Ala	Leu	Ser 160
	Gly	Ala	Met	Asp	Gln 165	Val	Gly	Thr	Lys	Met 170	Met	Asp	Arg	Ala	Arg 175	Gly
40	Asp	Leu	His	Tyr 180	Leu	Ser	Thr	Ser	Pro 185	Asp	Lys	Leu	His	Asp 190	Ala	Met
	Ala	Val	Ser 195	Val	Lys	Arg	His	Ser 200	Pro	Ala	Leu	Gly	Arg 205	Gln	Val	Val
45	Asp	Met 210	Gly	Ile	Ala	Val	Gln 215	Thr	Phe	Ser	Ala	Leu 220	Asn	Val	Val	Arg
50	Thr 225	Val	Leu	Ala	Pro	Ala 230	Leu	Ala	Ser	Arg	Pro 235	Ser	Val	Gln	Gly	Ala 240
	Val	Asp	Phe	Gly	Val 245	Ser	Thr	Ala	Gly	Gly 250	Leu	Val	Ala	Asn	Ala 255	Gly
55	Phe	Gly	Asp	Arg 260	Met	Leu	Ser	Val	Gln 265	Ser	Arg	Asp	Gln	Leu 270	Arg	Gly
	Gly	Ala	Phe 275	Val	Leu	Gly	Met	Lys 280	Asp	Lys	Glu	Pro	Lys 285	Ala	Ala	Leu
60	Ser	Glu 290	Glu	Thr	Asp	Trp	Leu 295	Asp	Ala	Tyr	Lys	Ala 300	Ile	Lys	Ser	Ala

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	Ser 305	Tyr	Ser	Gly	Ala	Ala 310	Leu	Asn	Ala	Gly	Lys 315	Arg	Met	Ala	Gly	Leu 320
5	Pro	Leu	Asp	Val	Ala 325	Thr	Asp	Gly	Leu	Lys 330	Ala	Val	Arg	Ser	Leu 335	Val
	Ser	Ala	Thr	Ser 340	Leu	Thr	Lys	Asn	Gly 345	Leu	Ala	Leu	Ala	Gly 350	Gly	Tyr
10	Ala	Gly	Val 355	Ser	Lys	Leu	Gln	Lys 360	Met	Ala	Thr	Lys	Asn 365	Ile	Thr	Asp
1.5	Ser	Ala 370	Thr	Lys	Ala	Ala	Val 375	Ser	Gln	Leu	Ser	Asn 380	Leu	Val	Gly	Ser
15	Val 385	Gly	Val	Phe	Ala	Gly 390	Trp	Thr	Thr	Ala	Gly 395	Leu	Ala	Thr	Asp	Pro 400
20	Ala	Val	Lys	Lys	Ala 405	Glu	Ser	Phe	Ile	Gln 410	Asp	Lys	Val	Lys	Ser 415	Thr
	Ala	Ser	Ser	Thr 420	Thr	Ser	Tyr	Val	Ala 425	Asp	Gln	Thr	Val	Lys 430	Leu	Ala
25	Lys	Thr	Val 435	Lys	Asp	Met	Ser	Gly 440	Glu	Ala	Ile	Ser	Ser 445	Thr	Gly	Ala
20	Ser	Leu 450	Arg	Ser	Thr	Val	Asn 455	Asn	Leu	Arg	His	Arg 460	Ser	Ala	Pro	Glu
30	Ala 465	Asp	Ile	Glu	Glu	Gly 470	Gly	Ile	Ser	Ala	Phe 475	Ser	Arg	Ser	Glu	Thr 480
35	Pro	Phe	Gln	Leu	Arg 485	Arg	Leu									

Fragments of the above-identified proteins or polypeptides as well as fragments of full length proteins from the EELs and CELs of other bacteria, in particular Gram-negative pathogens, can also be used according to the present invention.

Suitable fragments can be produced by several means. Subclones of the gene encoding a known protein can be produced using conventional molecular genetic manipulation for subcloning gene fragments, such as described by Sambrook et al., 1989, and Ausubel et al., 1994. The subclones then are expressed *in vitro* or *in vivo* in bacterial cells to yield a smaller protein or polypeptide that can be tested for activity, e.g., as a product required for pathogen virulence.

In another approach, based on knowledge of the primary structure of the protein, fragments of the protein-coding gene may be synthesized using the PCR technique together with specific sets of primers chosen to represent particular portions of the protein (Erlich et al., 1991). These can then be cloned into an appropriate

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vector for expression of a truncated protein or polypeptide from bacterial cells as described above.

As an alternative, fragments of a protein can be produced by digestion of a full-length protein with proteolytic enzymes like chymotrypsin or *Staphylococcus* proteinase A, or trypsin. Different proteolytic enzymes are likely to cleave different proteins at different sites based on the amino acid sequence of the particular protein. Some of the fragments that result from proteolysis may be active virulence proteins or polypeptides.

Chemical synthesis can also be used to make suitable fragments. Such a synthesis is carried out using known amino acid sequences for the polyppetide being produced. Alternatively, subjecting a full length protein to high temperatures and pressures will produce fragments. These fragments can then be separated by conventional procedures (e.g., chromatography, SDS-PAGE).

Variants may also (or alternatively) be modified by, for example, the deletion or addition of amino acids that have minimal influence on the properties, secondary structure and hydropathic nature of the polypeptide. For example, a polypeptide may be conjugated to a signal (or leader) sequence at the N-terminal end of the protein which co-translationally or post-translationally directs transfer of the protein. The polypeptide may also be conjugated to a linker or other sequence for ease of synthesis, purification, or identification of the polypeptide.

The proteins or polypeptides used in accordance with the present invention are preferably produced in purified form (preferably at least about 80%, more preferably 90%, pure) by conventional techniques. Typically, the protein or polypeptide of the present invention is secreted into the growth medium of recombinant host cells (discussed *infra*). Alternatively, the protein or polypeptide of the present invention is produced but not secreted into growth medium. In such cases, to isolate the protein, the host cell (e.g., *E. coli*) carrying a recombinant plasmid is propagated, lysed by sonication, heat, or chemical treatment, and the homogenate is centrifuged to remove bacterial debris. The supernatant is then subjected to sequential ammonium sulfate precipitation. The fraction containing the protein or polypeptide of interest is subjected to gel filtration in an appropriately sized dextran

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or polyacrylamide column to separate the proteins. If necessary, the protein fraction may be further purified by HPLC.

DNA molecules encoding other EEL and CEL protein or polypeptides can be identified using a PCR-based methodology for cloning portions of the pathogenicity islands of a bacterium. Basically, the PCR-based strategy involves the use of conserved sequences from the hrpK and tRNA^{leu} genes (or other conserved border sequences) as primers for cloning EEL intervening regions of the pathogenicity island. As shown in Figures 2B-C, the hrpK and tRNA^{leu} genes are highly conserved among diverse Pseudomonas syringae variants. Depending upon the size of EEL, additional primers can be prepared from the originally obtained cDNA sequence, allowing for recovery of clones and walking through the EEL in a step-wise fashion. If full-length coding sequences are not obtained from the PCR steps, contigs can be assembled to prepare full-length coding sequences using suitable restriction enzymes. Similar PCR-based procedures can be used for obtaining clones that encode open reading frames in the CEL. As shown in Figure 3, the CEL of diverse Pseudomonas syringae pathovars contain numerous conserved domains. Moreover, known sequences of the hrp/hrc domain, hrpW, AvrE, or gstA can be used to prepare primers.

Using the above-described PCR-based methods, a number of DNA sequences were utilized as the source for primers. One such DNA molecule is isolated from the *tRNA*^{leu} gene of *Pseudomonas syringae* pv. tomato DC3000, which has a nucleotide sequence (SEQ. ID. No. 67) as follows:

gccctgatgg cggaattggt agacgcggcg gattcaaaat ccgttttcga aagaagtggg 60 25 agttcgattc tccctcgggg caccacca 88

An additional DNA molecule which can be used to supply suitable primers is from the $tRNA^{leu}$ gene of *Pseudomonas syringae* pv. *syringae* B728a, which has a nucleotide sequence (SEQ. ID. No. 68) as follows:

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geoctgatgg eggaattggt agaegeggeg gatteaaaat eegttttega aagaagtggg 60
agttegatte teeetegggg eacea 85

Another DNA molecule is isolated from the *queA* gene of *Pseudomonas syringae* pv. tomato DC3000, which has a nucleotide sequence (SEQ. ID. No. 69) as follows:

5	gccgagcgtc cgtcaattca acccgtgtca ctggtcgagc ccaaagccgg catgacgcgc ggccatatgc tatcagaccg ttcgaccagc ctgcacgtcg atgcacagcg	gcagcagtcg ccgatttgct ttcccgcacg gcgtgctgga gctcgtcgat tgttcgagtt cgttgcctcc tttacgccca cgttgatgga gcgcgggtac aatggctgga ggcgggtgat	tctgttgacc cgagcatttg tttgttcggg cagccatcgt cctgatcgat gcgctttgcc ttatatagac gcgcgccggt agcaattgcc gttccagccg agtcagccag tgcggtcggg	cccgattccc cttgatggcc cgctcgggcg cagaaggcgt gtgctggcgc ggcggcggcg gaagaagtgc cgcccggacg gctgtggcgg gccaagggcg gtgcgtgtcg gacgtggtcg accaccagcg	cgacgggcgc acttgatggt ccggcggcaa acgtgcgtgc aggccgagat tgccgttgct aaggtgccga cgccgactgc tcgagactgc agcagatcga atgccgtggc tgcgttcgct	gctggcacat gttcaacaat gctggagatt cagcaagtcg ggtggcgcgg ggatcgtgtc ccgcgagcgt cggcctgcat ttttgtcact agatcaccac ggcgtgccgt ggagagtgcc	120 180 240 300 360 420 480 540 600 660 720 780
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This DNA molecule encodes QueA, which has an amino acid sequence (SEQ. ID. No. 70) as follows:

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	Arg	His	Pro	Leu 20	Ala	Glu	Arg	Arg	Ser 25	Ser	Arg	Leu	Leu	Thr 30	Leu	Asp
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	Pro 65	Ala	Arg	Leu	Phe	Gly 70	Gln	Lys	Ala	Ser	Gly 75	Gly	Lys	Leu	Glu	Ile 80
40	Leu	Val	Glu	Arg	Val 85	Leu	Asp	Ser	Hìs	Arg 90	Val	Leu	Ala	His	Val 95	Arg
	Ala	Ser	Lys	Ser 100	Pro	Lys	Pro	Gly	Ser 105	Ser	Ile	Leu	Ile	Asp 110	Gly	Gly
45	Gly	Glu	Ala 115	Glu	Met	Val	Ala	Arg 120	His	Asp	Ala	Leu	Phe 125	Glu	Leu	Arg
50	Phe	Ala 130	Glu	Glu	Val	Leu	Pro 135	Leu	Leu	Asp	Arg	Val 140	Gly	His	Met	Pro
	Leu 145	Pro	Pro	Tyr	Ile	Asp 150	Arg	Pro	Asp	Glu	Gly 155	Ala	Asp	Arg	Glu	Arg 160
55	Tyr	Gln	Thr	Val	Tyr 165	Ala	Gln	Arg	Ala	Gly 170	Ala	Val	Ala	Ala	Pro 175	Thr
	Ala	Gly	Leu	His 180	Phe	Asp	Gln	Pro	Leu 185	Met	Glu	Ala	Ile	Ala 190	Ala	Lys
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Gln Pro Val Arg Val Glu Gln Ile Glu Asp His His Met His Ser Glu
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     Trp Leu Glu Val Ser Gln Asp Val Val Asp Ala Val Ala Ala Cys Arg
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     Ala Arg Gly Gly Arg Val Ile Ala Val Gly Thr Thr Ser Val Arg Ser
     Leu Glu Ser Ala Ala Arg Asp Gly Gln Leu Lys Pro Phe Ser Gly Asp
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     Thr Asp Ile Phe Ile Tyr Pro Gly Arg Pro Phe His Val Val Asp Ala
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     Leu Val Thr Asn Phe His Leu Pro Glu Ser Thr Leu Leu Met Leu Val
     Ser Ala Phe Ala Gly Tyr Pro Glu Thr Met Ala Ala Tyr Ala Ala Ala
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     Ile Glu His Gly Tyr Arg Phe Phe Ser Tyr Gly Asp Ala Met Phe Ile
     Thr Arg Asn Pro Ala Pro Thr Ala Pro Gln Glu Ser Ala Pro Glu Asp
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     His Ala
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DNA molecules encoding other EEL and CEL proteins or polypeptides can also be identified determining whether such DNA molecules hybridize under stringent conditions to a DNA molecule as identified above. An example of suitable stringency conditions is when hybridization is carried out at a temperature of about 37°C using a hybridization medium that includes 0.9M sodium citrate ("SSC") buffer, followed by washing with 0.2x SSC buffer at 37°C. Higher stringency can readily be attained by increasing the temperature for either hybridization or washing conditions or increasing the sodium concentration of the hybridization or wash medium.

Nonspecific binding may also be controlled using any one of a number of known techniques such as, for example, blocking the membrane with protein-containing solutions, addition of heterologous RNA, DNA, and SDS to the hybridization buffer, and treatment with RNase. Wash conditions are typically performed at or below stringency. Exemplary high stringency conditions include carrying out hybridization at a temperature of about 42°C to about 65°C for up to about 20 hours in a hybridization medium containing 1M NaCl, 50 mM Tris-HCl, pH 7.4, 10 mM EDTA, 0.1% sodium dodecyl sulfate (SDS), 0.2% ficoll, 0.2% polyvinylpyrrolidone, 0.2%

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bovine serum albumin, and 50 μ g/ml *E. coli* DNA, followed by washing carried out at between about 42°C to about 65°C in a 0.2x SSC buffer.

Also encompassed by the present invention are nucleic acid molecules which contain conserved substitutions as compared to the above identified DNA molecules and, thus, encode the same protein or polypeptides identified above. Further, complementary sequences are also encompassed by the present invention.

The nucleic acid of the present invention can be either DNA or RNA, which can readily be prepared using the above identified DNA molecules of the present invention.

The delivery of effector proteins or polypeptides can be achieved in several ways, depending upon the host being treated and the materials being used: (1) as a stable or plasmid-encoded transgene; (2) transiently expressed via *Agrobacterium* or viral vectors; (3) delivered by the type III secretion systems of disarmed pathogens or recombinant nonpathogenic bacteria which express a functional, heterologous type III secretion system; or (4) delivered via topical application followed by TAT protein transduction domain-mediated spontaneous uptake into cells. Each of these is discussed *infra*.

The DNA molecule encoding the protein or polypeptide can be incorporated in cells using conventional recombinant DNA technology. Generally, this involves inserting the DNA molecule into an expression system to which the DNA molecule is heterologous (i.e. not normally present). The heterologous DNA molecule is inserted into the expression system or vector in proper sense orientation and correct reading frame. The vector contains the necessary elements for the transcription and translation of the inserted protein-coding sequences.

U.S. Patent No. 4,237,224 to Cohen and Boyer describes the production of expression systems in the form of recombinant plasmids using restriction enzyme cleavage and ligation with DNA ligase. These recombinant plasmids are then introduced by means of transformation and replicated in unicellular cultures including prokaryotic organisms and eukaryotic cells grown in tissue culture.

Recombinant genes may also be introduced into viruses, such as vaccina virus. Recombinant viruses can be generated by transfection of plasmids into cells infected with virus.

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Suitable vectors include, but are not limited to, the following viral vectors such as lambda vector system gt11, gt WES.tB, Charon 4, and plasmid vectors such as pBR322, pBR325, pACYC177, pACYC1084, pUC8, pUC9, pUC18, pUC19, pLG339, pR290, pKC37, pKC101, SV 40, pBluescript II SK +/- or KS +/- (see "Stratagene Cloning Systems" Catalog (1993) from Stratagene, La Jolla, Calif, which is hereby incorporated by reference), pQE, pIH821, pGEX, pET series (see Studier et al., 1990). Recombinant molecules can be introduced into cells via transformation, particularly transduction, conjugation, mobilization, or electroporation. The DNA sequences are cloned into the vector using standard cloning procedures in the art, as described by Sambrook et al., 1989.

A variety of host-vector systems may be utilized to express the protein-encoding sequence(s). Primarily, the vector system must be compatible with the host cell used. Host-vector systems include, but are not limited to, the following: bacteria transformed with bacteriophage DNA, plasmid DNA, or cosmid DNA; microorganisms such as yeast containing yeast vectors; mammalian cell systems infected with virus (e.g., vaccinia virus, adenovirus, etc.); insect cell systems infected with virus (e.g., baculovirus); and plant cells infected by bacteria. The expression elements of these vectors vary in their strength and specificities. Depending upon the host-vector system utilized, any one of a number of suitable transcription and translation elements can be used.

Different genetic signals and processing events control many levels of gene expression (e.g., DNA transcription and messenger RNA (mRNA) translation).

Transcription of DNA is dependent upon the presence of a promoter which is a DNA sequence that directs the binding of RNA polymerase and thereby promotes mRNA synthesis. The DNA sequences of eukaryotic promoters differ from those of prokaryotic promoters. Eukaryotic promoters and accompanying genetic signals may not be recognized in or may not function in a prokaryotic system and, further, prokaryotic promoters are not recognized and do not function in eukaryotic cells.

Similarly, translation of mRNA in prokaryotes depends upon the presence of the proper prokaryotic signals which differ from those of eukaryotes. Efficient translation of mRNA in prokaryotes requires a ribosome binding site called

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the Shine-Dalgarno ("SD") sequence on the mRNA. This sequence is a short nucleotide sequence of mRNA that is located before the start codon, usually AUG, which encodes the amino-terminal methionine of the protein. The SD sequences are complementary to the 3'-end of the 16S rRNA (ribosomal RNA) and probably promote binding of mRNA to ribosomes by duplexing with the rRNA to allow correct positioning of the ribosome. For a review on maximizing gene expression, see Roberts and Lauer, 1979.

Promoters vary in their "strength" (i.e., their ability to promote transcription). For the purposes of expressing a cloned gene, it is desirable to use strong promoters in order to obtain a high level of transcription and, hence, expression of the gene. Depending upon the host cell system utilized, any one of a number of suitable promoters may be used. For instance, when cloning in *E. coli*, its bacteriophages, or plasmids, promoters such as the T7 phage promoter, *lac* promoter, *trp* promoter, *rec*A promoter, ribosomal RNA promoter, the P_R and P_L promoters of coliphage lambda and others, including but not limited, to *lac*UV5, *omp*F, *bla*, *lpp*, and the like, may be used to direct high levels of transcription of adjacent DNA segments. Additionally, a hybrid *trp-lac*UV5 (*tac*) promoter or other *E. coli* promoters produced by recombinant DNA or other synthetic DNA techniques may be used to provide for transcription of the inserted gene.

Bacterial host cell strains and expression vectors may be chosen which inhibit the action of the promoter unless specifically induced. In certain operations, the addition of specific inducers is necessary for efficient transcription of the inserted DNA. For example, the *lac* operon is induced by the addition of lactose or IPTG (isopropylthio-beta-D-galactoside). A variety of other operons, such as *trp*, *pro*, etc., are under different controls.

Specific initiation signals are also required for efficient gene transcription and translation in prokaryotic cells. These transcription and translation initiation signals may vary in "strength" as measured by the quantity of gene specific messenger RNA and protein synthesized, respectively. The DNA expression vector, which contains a promoter, may also contain any combination of various "strong" transcription and/or translation initiation signals. For instance, efficient translation in *E. coli* requires an SD sequence about 7-9 bases 5' to the initiation codon ("ATG") to

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provide a ribosome binding site. Thus, any SD-ATG combination that can be utilized by host cell ribosomes may be employed. Such combinations include but are not limited to the SD-ATG combination from the *cro* gene or the *N* gene of coliphage lambda, or from the *E. coli* tryptophan E, D, C, B or A genes. Additionally, any SD-ATG combination produced by recombinant DNA or other techniques involving incorporation of synthetic nucleotides may be used.

Once the isolated DNA molecule encoding the polypeptide or protein has been cloned into an expression system, it is ready to be incorporated into a host cell. Such incorporation can be carried out by the various forms of transformation noted above, depending upon the vector/host cell system. Suitable host cells include, but are not limited to, bacteria, virus, yeast, mammalian cells, insect, plant, and the like.

Because it is desirable for recombinant host cells to secrete the encoded protein or polypeptide, it is preferable that the host cell also possess a functional type III secretion system. The type III secretion system can be heterologous to host cell (Ham et al., 1998) or the host cell can naturally possess a type III secretion system. Host cells which naturally contain a type III secretion system include many pathogenic Gram-negative bacterium, such as numerous *Erwinia* species, *Pseudomonas* species, *Xanthomonas* species, etc. Other type III secretion systems are known and still others are continually being identified. Pathogenic bacteria that can be utilized to deliver effector proteins or polypeptides are preferably disarmed according to known techniques, i.e., as described above. Alternatively, isolation of the effector protein or polypeptide from the host cell or growth medium can be carried out as described above.

Another aspect of the present invention relates to a transgenic plant which express a protein or polypeptide of the present invention and methods of making the same.

In order to express the DNA molecule in isolated plant cells or tissue or whole plants, a plant expressible promoter is needed. Any plant-expressible promoter can be utilized regardless of its origin, i.e., viral, bacterial, plant, etc. Without limitation, two suitable promoters include the nopaline synthase promoter (Fraley et al., 1983) and the cauliflower mosaic virus 35S promoter (O'Dell et al.,

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1985). Both of these promoters yield constitutive expression of coding sequences under their regulatory control.

While constitutive expression is generally suitable for expression of the DNA molecule, it should be apparent to those of skill in the art that temporally or tissue regulated expression may also be desirable, in which case any regulated promoter can be selected to achieve the desired expression. Typically, the temporally or tissue regulated promoters will be used in connection with the DNA molecule that are expressed at only certain stages of development or only in certain tissues.

In some plants, it may also be desirable to use promoters which are responsive to pathogen infiltration or stress. For example, it may be desirable to limit expression of the protein or polypeptide in response to infection by a particular pathogen of the plant. One example of a pathogen-inducible promoter is the *gst1* promoter from potato, which is described in U.S. Patent Nos. 5,750,874 and 5,723,760 to Strittmayer et al., which are hereby incorporated by reference.

Expression of the DNA molecule in isolated plant cells or tissue or whole plants also requires appropriate transcription termination and polyadenylation of mRNA. Any 3' regulatory region suitable for use in plant cells or tissue can be operably linked to the first and second DNA molecules. A number of 3' regulatory regions are known to be operable in plants. Exemplary 3' regulatory regions include, without limitation, the nopaline synthase 3' regulatory region (Fraley et al., 1983) and the cauliflower mosaic virus 3' regulatory region (Odell et al., 1985).

The promoter and a 3' regulatory region can readily be ligated to the DNA molecule using well known molecular cloning techniques described in Sambrook et al., 1989.

One approach to transforming plant cells with a DNA molecule of the present invention is particle bombardment (also known as biolistic transformation) of the host cell. This can be accomplished in one of several ways. The first involves propelling inert or biologically active particles at cells. This technique is disclosed in U.S. Patent Nos. 4,945,050, 5,036,006, and 5,100,792, all to Sanford, et al.

Generally, this procedure involves propelling inert or biologically active particles at the cells under conditions effective to penetrate the outer surface of the cell and to be incorporated within the interior thereof. When inert particles are utilized, the vector

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can be introduced into the cell by coating the particles with the vector containing the heterologous DNA. Alternatively, the target cell can be surrounded by the vector so that the vector is carried into the cell by the wake of the particle. Biologically active particles (e.g., dried bacterial cells containing the vector and heterologous DNA) can also be propelled into plant cells. Other variations of particle bombardment, now known or hereafter developed, can also be used.

Another method of introducing the DNA molecule into plant cells is fusion of protoplasts with other entities, either minicells, cells, lysosomes, or other fusible lipid-surfaced bodies that contain the DNA molecule (Fraley et al., 1982).

The DNA molecule may also be introduced into the plant cells by electroporation (Fromm, et al., 1985). In this technique, plant protoplasts are electroporated in the presence of plasmids containing the DNA molecule. Electrical impulses of high field strength reversibly permeabilize biomembranes allowing the introduction of the plasmids. Electroporated plant protoplasts reform the cell wall, divide, and regenerate.

Another method of introducing the DNA molecule into plant cells is to infect a plant cell with *Agrobacterium tumefaciens* or *Agrobacterium rhizogenes* previously transformed with the DNA molecule. Under appropriate conditions known in the art, the transformed plant cells are grown to form shoots or roots, and develop further into plants. Generally, this procedure involves inoculating the plant tissue with a suspension of bacteria and incubating the tissue for 48 to 72 hours on regeneration medium without antibiotics at 25-28°C.

Agrobacterium is a representative genus of the Gram-negative family Rhizobiaceae. Its species are responsible for crown gall (A. tumefaciens) and hairy root disease (A. rhizogenes). The plant cells in crown gall tumors and hairy roots are induced to produce amino acid derivatives known as opines, which are catabolized only by the bacteria. The bacterial genes responsible for expression of opines are a convenient source of control elements for chimeric expression cassettes. In addition, assaying for the presence of opines can be used to identify transformed tissue.

Heterologous genetic sequences such as a DNA molecule of the present invention can be introduced into appropriate plant cells by means of the Ti plasmid of *A. tumefaciens* or the Ri plasmid of *A. rhizogenes*. The Ti or Ri plasmid

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is transmitted to plant cells on infection by *Agrobacterium* and is stably integrated into the plant genome (Schell, 1987).

Plant tissue suitable for transformation include leaf tissue, root tissue, meristems, zygotic and somatic embryos, and anthers.

After transformation, the transformed plant cells can be selected and regenerated.

Preferably, transformed cells are first identified using, e.g., a selection marker simultaneously introduced into the host cells along with the DNA molecule of the present invention. Suitable selection markers include, without limitation, markers coding for antibiotic resistance, such as kanamycin resistance (Fraley et al., 1983). A number of antibiotic-resistance markers are known in the art and other are continually being identified. Any known antibiotic-resistance marker can be used to transform and select transformed host cells in accordance with the present invention. Cells or tissues are grown on a selection media containing an antibiotic, whereby generally only those transformants expressing the antibiotic resistance marker continue to grow.

Once a recombinant plant cell or tissue has been obtained, it is possible to regenerate a full-grown plant therefrom. Thus, another aspect of the present invention relates to a transgenic plant that includes a DNA molecule of the present invention, wherein the promoter induces transcription of the first DNA molecule in response to infection of the plant by an oomycete. Preferably, the DNA molecule is stably inserted into the genome of the transgenic plant of the present invention.

Plant regeneration from cultured protoplasts is described in Evans et al., 1983, and Vasil, 1984 and 1986.

It is known that practically all plants can be regenerated from cultured cells or tissues, including but not limited to, all major species of rice, wheat, barley, rye, cotton, sunflower, peanut, corn, potato, sweet potato, bean, pea, chicory, lettuce, endive, cabbage, cauliflower, broccoli, turnip, radish, spinach, onion, garlic, eggplant, pepper, celery, carrot, squash, pumpkin, zucchini, cucumber, apple, pear, melon, strawberry, grape, raspberry, pineapple, soybean, tobacco, tomato, sorghum, and sugarcane.

Means for regeneration vary from species to species of plants, but generally a suspension of transformed protoplasts or a petri plate containing

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transformed explants is first provided. Callus tissue is formed and shoots may be induced from callus and subsequently rooted. Alternatively, embryo formation can be induced in the callus tissue. These embryos germinate as natural embryos to form plants. The culture media will generally contain various amino acids and hormones, such as auxin and cytokinins. It is also advantageous to add glutamic acid and proline to the medium, especially for such species as corn and alfalfa. Efficient regeneration will depend on the medium, on the genotype, and on the history of the culture. If these three variables are controlled, then regeneration is usually reproducible and repeatable.

After the DNA molecule is stably incorporated in transgenic plants, it can be transferred to other plants by sexual crossing or by preparing cultivars. With respect to sexual crossing, any of a number of standard breeding techniques can be used depending upon the species to be crossed. Cultivars can be propagated in accord with common agricultural procedures known to those in the field.

Diseases caused by the vast majority of bacterial pathogens result in limited lesions. That is, even when everything is working in the pathogen's favor (e.g., no triggering of the hypersensitive response because of *R*-gene detection of one of the effectors), the parasitic process still triggers defenses after a couple of days, which then stops the infection from spreading. Thus, the very same effectors that enable parasitism to proceed must also eventually trigger defenses. Therefore, premature expression of these effectors is believed to "turn on" plant defenses earlier (i.e., prior to infection) and make the plant resistant to either the specific bacteria from which the effector protein was obtained or many pathogens. An advantage of this approach is that it involves natural products and plants seem highly sensitive to pathogen effector proteins.

According to one embodiment, a transgenic plant is provided that contains a heterologous DNA molecule of the present invention. Preferably, the heterologous DNA molecule is derived from a plant pathogen EEL. When the heterologous DNA molecule is expressed in the transgenic plant, plant defenses are activated, imparting disease resistance to the transgenic plant. The transgenic plant can also contain an *R*-gene which is activated by the protein or polypeptide product of the heterologous DNA molecule. The *R* gene can be naturally occurring in the plant

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or heterologously inserted therein. A number of R genes have been identified in various plant species, including without limitation: RPS2, RPM1, and RPP5 from Arabidopsis thaliana; Cf2, Cf9, I2, Pto, and Prf from tomato; N from tobacco; L6 and M from flax; Xa2l from rice; and Hs1pro-1 from sugar beet. In addition to imparting disease resistance, it is believed that stimulation of plant defenses in transgenic plants of the present invention will also result in a simultaneous enhancement in growth and resistance to insects.

According to another embodiment, a plant, transgenic or non-transgenic, is treated with a protein or polypeptide of the present invention. By treating, it is intended to include various forms of applying the protein or polypeptide to the plant. The embodiments of the present invention where the effector polypeptide or protein is applied to the plant can be carried out in a number of ways, including: 1) application of an isolated protein (or composition containing the same) or 2) application of bacteria which do not cause disease and are transformed with a gene encoding the effector protein of the present invention. In the latter embodiment, the effector protein can be applied to plants by applying bacteria containing the DNA molecule encoding the effector protein. Such bacteria are preferably capable of secreting or exporting the protein so that the protein can contact plant cells. In these embodiments, the protein is produced by the bacteria *in planta*.

Such topical application is typically carried out using an effector fusion protein which includes a transduction domain, which will afford transduction domain-mediated spontaneous uptake of the effector protein into cells. Basically, this is carried out by fusing an 11-amino acid peptide (YGRKKRRQRRR, SEQ. ID. No. 91) by standard rDNA techniques to the N-terminus of the effector protein, and the resulting tagged protein is taken up into cells by a poorly understood process. This peptide is the protein transduction domain (PTD) of the human immunodeficiency virus (HIV) TAT protein (Schwarze et al., 2000). Other PTDs are known and may possibly be used for this purpose (Prochiantz, 2000).

When the effector protein is topically applied to plants, it can be applied as a composition, which includes a carrier in the form, e.g., of water, aqueous solutions, slurries, or dry powders. In this embodiment, the composition contains greater than about 5 nM of the protein of the present invention.

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Although not required, this composition may contain additional additives including fertilizer, insecticide, fungicide, nematicide, and mixtures thereof. Suitable fertilizers include (NH₄)₂NO₃. An example of a suitable insecticide is Malathion. Useful fungicides include Captan.

Other suitable additives include buffering agents, wetting agents, coating agents, and, in some instances, abrading agents. These materials can be used to facilitate the process of the present invention.

According to another aspect of the present invention, a transgenic plant is provided that contains a heterologous DNA molecule that encodes a transcript or a protein or polypeptide capable of disrupting function of a plant pathogen CEL product. Because the genes in the CEL are particularly important in pathogenesis, disrupting the function of their products in plants can result in broad resistance since CEL genes are highly conserved among Gram negative pathogens, particularly along species lines. An exemplary protein or polypeptide which can disrupt function of a CEL product is an antibody, polyclonal or monoclonal, raised against the CEL product using conventional techniques. Once isolated, the antibody can be sequenced and nucleic acids synthesized for encoding the same. Such nucleic acids, e.g., DNA, can be used to transform plants.

Transgenic plants can also be engineered so that they are hypersusceptible and, therefore, will support the growth of nonpathogenic bacteria for biotechnological purposes. It is known that many plant pathogenic bacteria can alter the environment inside plant leaves so that nonpathogenic bacteria can grow. This ability is presumably based on changes in the plant caused by pathogen effector proteins. Thus, transgenic plants expressing the appropriate effector genes can be used for these purposes.

According to one embodiment, a transgenic plant including a heterologous DNA molecule of the present invention expresses one or more effector proteins, wherein the transgenic plant is capable of supporting growth of compatible nonpathogenic bacteria (i.e., non-pathogenic endophytes such as various *Clavibacter* ssp.). The compatible nonpathogenic bacteria can be naturally occurring or it can be recombinant. Preferably, the nonpathogenic bacteria is recombinant and expresses one or more useful products. Thus, the transgenic plant becomes a green factory for

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products that can enhance the nutritional quality of the plant or products that are desirable in isolated form. If desired in isolated form, the product can be isolated from plant tissues. To prevent competition between the non-pathogenic bacteria which express the desired product and those that do not, it is possible to tailor the needs of recombinant, non-pathogenic bacteria so that only they are capable of living in plant tissues expressing a particular effector protein or polypeptide of the present invention.

The effector proteins or polypeptides of the present invention are believed to alter the plant physiology by shifting metabolic pathways to benefit the parasite and by activating or suppressing cell death pathways. Thus, they may also provide useful tools for efficiently altering the nutrient content of plants and delaying or triggering senescence. There are agricultural applications for all of these possible effects.

A further aspect of the present invention relates to diagnostic uses of the CEL and EEL. The CEL genes are universal to species of Gram negative bacteria, particularly pathogenic Gram negative bacteria (such as *P. syringae*), whereas the EEL sequences are strain-specific and provide a "virulence gene fingerprint" that could be used to track the presence, origins, and movement (and restrict the spread through quarantines) of strains that are particularly threatening. Although the CEL and EEL have been identified in various pathovars of *Pseudomonas syringae*, it is expected that most all Gram-negative pathogens can be identified, distinguished, and classified based upon the homology of the CEL and EEL genes.

According to one embodiment, a method of determining relatedness between two bacteria is carried out by comparing a nucleic acid alignment or amino acid alignment for a CEL of the two bacteria and then determining the relatedness of the two bacteria, wherein a higher sequence identity indicates a closer relationship. The CEL is particularly useful for determining the relatedness of two distinct bacterial species.

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Given the methods of determining relatedness of bacteria species and/or pathovars, these methods can be utilized in conjunction with plant breeding programs. By detecting the "virulence gene fingerprint" of pathogens which are prevalent in a particular growing region, it is possible either to develop transgenic cultivars as described above or to identify existing plant cultivars which are resistant to the prevalent pathogens.

In addition to the above described uses, another aspect of the present invention relates to gene- and protein-based therapies for animals, preferably mammals including, without limitation, humans, dogs, mice, rats. The *P. syringae* pv. *syringae* B728a EEL ORF5 protein (SEQ. ID. No. 32) is a member of the AvrRxv/YopJ protein family. YopJ is injected into human cells by the *Yersinia* type III secretion system, where it disrupts the function of certain protein kinases to inhibit cytokine release and promote programmed cell death. It is believed that the targets of many pathogen effector proteins (i.e., *P. syringae* effector proteins) will be universal to eukaryotes and therefore have a variety of potentially useful functions. In fact, two of the proteins in the *P. syringae* Hrp pathogenicity islands are toxic when expressed in yeast. They are HopPsyA from the *P. syringae* pv. *syringae* EEL and HopPtoA from the *P. syringae* pv. *tomato* DC3000 CEL. This supports the concept of universal eukaryote targets.

Thus, a further aspect of the present invention relates to a method of causing eukaryotic cell death which is carried out by introducing into a eukaryotic cell a cytotoxic *Pseudomonas* protein. The cytotoxic *Pseudomonas* protein is preferably HopPsyA (e.g., SEQ. ID. Nos. 36 (*Psy* 61), 62 (*Psy* 226), or 64 (*Psy* B143)) HopPtoA (SEQ. ID. No. 7), or HopPtoA2 (SEQ. ID. No. 66). The eukaryotic cell which is treated can be either *in vitro* or *in vivo*. When treating eukaryotic cells *in vivo*, a number of different protein- or DNA-delivery systems can be employed to introduce the effector protein into the target eukaryotic cell.

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Without being bound by theory, it is believed that at least the HopPsyA effector proteins exert their cytotoxic effects through Mad2 interactions, disrupting cell checkpoint of spindle formation (see *infra*).

The protein- or DNA-delivery systems can be provided in the form of pharmaceutical compositions which include the delivery system in a pharmaceutically acceptable carrier, which may include suitable excipients or stabilizers. The dosage can be in solid or liquid form, such as powders, solutions, suspensions, or emulsions. Typically, the composition will contain from about 0.01 to 99 percent, preferably from about 20 to 75 percent of active compound(s), together with the carrier, excipient, stabilizer, etc.

The compositions of the present invention are preferably administered in injectable or topically-applied dosages by solution or suspension of these materials in a physiologically acceptable diluent with a pharmaceutical carrier. Such carriers include sterile liquids, such as water and oils, with or without the addition of a surfactant and other pharmaceutically and physiologically acceptable carrier, including adjuvants, excipients or stabilizers. Illustrative oils are those of petroleum, animal, vegetable, or synthetic origin, for example, peanut oil, soybean oil, or mineral oil. In general, water, saline, aqueous dextrose and related sugar solution, and glycols, such as propylene glycol or polyethylene glycol, are preferred liquid carriers, particularly for injectable solutions.

Alternatively, the effector proteins can also be delivered via solution or suspension packaged in a pressurized aerosol container together with suitable propellants, for example, hydrocarbon propellants like propane, butane, or isobutane with conventional adjuvants. The materials of the present invention also may be administered in a non-pressurized form such as in a nebulizer or atomizer.

Depending upon the treatment being effected, the compounds of the present invention can be administered orally, topically, transdermally, parenterally, subcutaneously, intravenously, intramuscularly, intraperitoneally, by intranasal instillation, by intracavitary or intravesical instillation, intraocularly, intraarterially, intralesionally, or by application to mucous membranes, such as, that of the nose, throat, and bronchial tubes.

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Compositions within the scope of this invention include all compositions wherein the compound of the present invention is contained in an amount effective to achieve its intended purpose. While individual needs vary, determination of optimal ranges of effective amounts of each component is within the skill of the art.

One approach for delivering an effector protein into cells involves the use of liposomes. Basically, this involves providing a liposome which includes that effector protein to be delivered, and then contacting the target cell with the liposome under conditions effective for delivery of the effector protein into the cell.

Liposomes are vesicles comprised of one or more concentrically ordered lipid bilayers which encapsulate an aqueous phase. They are normally not leaky, but can become leaky if a hole or pore occurs in the membrane, if the membrane is dissolved or degrades, or if the membrane temperature is increased to the phase transition temperature. Current methods of drug delivery via liposomes require that the liposome carrier ultimately become permeable and release the encapsulated drug at the target site. This can be accomplished, for example, in a passive manner wherein the liposome bilayer degrades over time through the action of various agents in the body. Every liposome composition will have a characteristic half-life in the circulation or at other sites in the body and, thus, by controlling the half-life of the liposome composition, the rate at which the bilayer degrades can be somewhat regulated.

In contrast to passive drug release, active drug release involves using an agent to induce a permeability change in the liposome vesicle. Liposome membranes can be constructed so that they become destabilized when the environment becomes acidic near the liposome membrane (see, e.g., Proc. Natl. Acad. Sci. USA 84:7851 (1987); Biochemistry 28:908 (1989), which are hereby incorporated by reference). When liposomes are endocytosed by a target cell, for example, they can be routed to acidic endosomes which will destabilize the liposome and result in drug release.

Alternatively, the liposome membrane can be chemically modified such that an enzyme is placed as a coating on the membrane which slowly destabilizes the liposome. Since control of drug release depends on the concentration of enzyme

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initially placed in the membrane, there is no real effective way to modulate or alter drug release to achieve "on demand" drug delivery. The same problem exists for pH-sensitive liposomes in that as soon as the liposome vesicle comes into contact with a target cell, it will be engulfed and a drop in pH will lead to drug release.

This liposome delivery system can also be made to accumulate at a target organ, tissue, or cell via active targeting (e.g., by incorporating an antibody or hormone on the surface of the liposomal vehicle). This can be achieved according to known methods.

Different types of liposomes can be prepared according to Bangham et al., (1965); U.S. Patent No. 5,653,996 to Hsu et al., U.S. Patent No. 5,643,599 to Lee et al.; U.S. Patent No. 5,885,613 to Holland et al.; U.S. Patent No. 5,631,237 to Dzau et al.; and U.S. Patent No. 5,059,421 to Loughrey et al.

An alternative approach for delivery of effector proteins involves the conjugation of the desired effector protein to a polymer that is stabilized to avoid enzymatic degradation of the conjugated effector protein. Conjugated proteins or polypeptides of this type are described in U.S. Patent No. 5,681,811 to Ekwuribe.

Yet another approach for delivery of proteins or polypeptides involves preparation of chimeric proteins according to U.S. Patent No. 5,817,789 to Heartlein et al. The chimeric protein can include a ligand domain and, e.g., an effector protein of the present invention. The ligand domain is specific for receptors located on a target cell. Thus, when the chimeric protein is delivered intravenously or otherwise introduced into blood or lymph, the chimeric protein will adsorb to the targeted cell, and the targeted cell will internalize the chimeric protein, which allows the effector protein to de-stabilize the cell checkpoint control mechanism, affording its cytotoxic effects.

When it is desirable to achieve heterologous expression of an effector protein of the present invention in a target cell, DNA molecules encoding the desired effector protein can be delivered into the cell. Basically, this includes providing a nucleic acid molecule encoding the effector protein and then introducing the nucleic acid molecule into the cell under conditions effective to express the effector protein in the cell. Preferably, this is achieved by inserting the nucleic acid molecule into an expression vector before it is introduced into the cell.

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When transforming mammalian cells for heterologous expression of an effector protein, an adenovirus vector can be employed. Adenovirus gene delivery vehicles can be readily prepared and utilized given the disclosure provided in Berkner, 1988, and Rosenfeld et al., 1991. Adeno-associated viral gene delivery vehicles can be constructed and used to deliver a gene to cells. The use of adeno-associated viral gene delivery vehicles *in vitro* is described in Chatterjee et al. 1992; Walsh et al. 1992; Walsh et al., 1994; Flotte et al., 1993a; Ponnazhagan et al., 1994; Miller et al., 1994; Einerhand et al., 1995; Luo et al., 1995; and Zhou et al., 1996. *In vivo* use of these vehicles is described in Flotte et al., 1993b and Kaplitt et al., 1994. Additional types of adenovirus vectors are described in U.S. Patent No. 6,057,155 to Wickham et al.; U.S. Patent No. 6,033,908 to Bout et al.; U.S. Patent No. 6,001,557 to Wilson et al.; U.S. Patent No. 5,994,132 to Chamberlain et al.; U.S. Patent No. 5,981,225 to Kochanek et al.; U.S. Patent No. 5,885,808 to Spooner et al.; and U.S. Patent No. 5,871,727 to Curiel.

Retroviral vectors which have been modified to form infective transformation systems can also be used to deliver nucleic acid encoding a desired effector protein into a target cell. One such type of retroviral vector is disclosed in U.S. Patent No. 5,849,586 to Kriegler et al.

Regardless of the type of infective transformation system employed, it should be targeted for delivery of the nucleic acid to a specific cell type. For example, for delivery of the nucleic acid into tumor cells, a high titer of the infective transformation system can be injected directly within the tumor site so as to enhance the likelihood of tumor cell infection. The infected cells will then express the desired effector protein, e.g., HopPtoA, HopPsyA, or HopPtoA2, disrupting cellular functions and producing cytotoxic effects.

Particularly preferred is use of the effector proteins of the present invention to treat a cancerous condition (i.e., the eukaryotic cell which is affected is a cancer cell). This can be carried out by introducing a cytotoxic *Pseudomonas* protein into cancer cells of a patient under conditions effective to inhibit cancer cell division, thereby treating the cancerous condition.

By introducing, it is intended that the effector protein is administered to the patient, preferably in the form of a composition which will target delivery to the

cancer cells. Alternatively, when using DNA-based therapies, it is intended that the introducing be carried out by administering a target DNA delivery system to the patient such that the cancer cells are targeted and the effector protein is expressed therein.

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Examples

The following Examples are intended to be illustrative and in no way are intended to limit the scope of the present invention.

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Materials and Methods

Bacterial Strains, Culture Conditions, Plasmids, and DNA Manipulation Techniques:

Three experimentally amenable strains that represent different levels of diversity in P. syringae were investigated: Psy 61, Psy B728a, and Pto DC3000. (i) Psy 61 is a weak pathogen of bean whose hrp gene cluster, cloned on cosmid pHIR11, contains all of the genes necessary for nonpathogenic bacteria like Pseudomonas fluorescens and Escherichia coli to elicit the HR in tobacco and to secrete in culture the HrpZ harpin, a protein with unknown function that is secreted abundantly by the Hrp system (Alfano et al., 1996). The pHIR11 hrp cluster has been completely sequenced (Figure 1) (Alfano and Collmer, 1997), and the hopPsyA gene in the hypervariable region at the left edge of the cluster was shown to encode a protein that has an Avr phenotype, travels the Hrp pathway, and elicits cell death when expressed in tobacco cells (Alfano and Collmer, 1997; Alfano et al., 1997; van Dijk et al., 1999). (ii) Psy B728a is in the same pathovar as strain 61 but is highly virulent and is a model for studying the role of the Hrp system in epiphytic fitness and pathogenicity (brown spot of bean) in the field (Hirano et al., 1999). (iii) Pto DC3000 is a well-studied pathogen of Arabidopsis and tomato (causing bacterial speck) that is highly divergent from pathovar syringae strains. Analysis of rRNA operon RFLP patterns has indicated that Pto and Psy are distantly related and could be considered

separate species (Manceau and Horvais, 1997). Thus, we were able to compare two

strains in the same pathovar with a strain from a highly divergent pathovar.

Conditions for culturing E. coli and P. syringae strains have been described (van Dijk et al., 1999), as have the sources for Psy 61 (Preston et al., 1995), Psy B728a (Hirano et al., 1999), and Pto DC3000 (Preston et al., 1995). Cloning and DNA manipulations were done in E. coli DH5α using pBluescript II (Stratagene, La Jolla, CA), pRK415 (Keen et al., 1988), and cosmid pCPP47 (Bauer and Collmer, 5 1997), according to standard procedures (Ausubel et al., 1994). Cosmid libraries of Pto DC3000 and Psy B728a genomic DNA were previously constructed (Charkowski et al., 1998). Oligonucleotide synthesis and DNA sequencing were performed at the Cornell Biotechnology Center. The nucleotide sequence of the Pto DC3000 hrp/hrc cluster was determined using subclones of pCPP2473, a cosmid selected from a 10 genomic cosmid library based on hybridization with the hrpK gene of Psy 61. The nucleotide sequence of the Psy B728a hrp/hrc cluster was determined using subclones of pCPP2346 and pCPP3017. These cosmids were selected from a genomic library based on hybridization with the hrpC operon of 61. The left side of the Psy 61 EEL region was cloned by PCR into pBSKSII+ XhoI and EcoRI sites using the following 15 primers:

SEQ. ID. NO. 71, which primes within *queA* and contains an *XhoI* site: atgactcgag gcgtggattc aggcaaat

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SEQ. ID. NO. 72, which primes within hopPsyA and contains an EcoRI site:

atgagaattc tgccgccgct ttctcgtt

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Pfu polymerase was used for all PCR experiments. DNA sequence data were managed and analyzed with the DNAStar Program (Madison, WI), and databases were searched with the BLASTX, BLASTP, and BLASTN programs (Altschul et al., 1997).

Mutant Construction and Analysis:

Large deletions in the Pto DC3000 Hrp Pai were constructed by subcloning border fragments into restriction sites on either side of an $\Omega \mathrm{Sp}^R$ cassette in pRK415, electroporating the recombinant plasmids into DC3000, and then selecting and screening for marker exchange mutants as described (Alfano et al., 1996). The

	following left and right side (Figures 2 and 3) deletion border fragments were used
	(with residual gene fragments indicated): for CUCPB5110 left tgt-gueA-tRNA-Leu -
	ORF4' (27 bp of ORF4) and right ORF1'-hrpK (396 bp of ORF1); and for
	CUCPB5115 left hrpS'-avrE' (2569 bp of avrE) and right ORF6 (156 bp upstream of
5	ORF6 start codon). The later fragment was PCR-amplified using the following
	primers:

SEQ. ID. NO. 73, which primes in the ORF5-ORF6 intergenic region and contains an *XbaI* site:

10 cgctctagac caaggactgc

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SEQ. ID. NO. 74, which primes in ORF6 and contains a *Hind*III site: ccagaagett ctgtttttga gtc

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Mutant constructions were confirmed by Southern hybridizations using previously described conditions (Charkowski et al., 1998). The ability of mutants to secrete AvrPto was determined with anti-AvrPto antibodies and immunoblot analysis of cell fractions as previously described (van Dijk et al., 1999). Mutant CUCPB5115 was complemented with pCPP3016, which carries ORF2 through ORF10 in cosmid pCPP47, and was introduced from *E. coli* DH5α by triparental mating using helper strain *E. coli* DH5α(pRK600), as described (Charkowski et al., 1998).

T7 Expression Analysis:

Protein products of the *Pto* DC3000 EEL were analyzed by T7
25 polymerase-dependent expression using vector pET21 and *E. coli* BL21(DE3) as previously described (Huang et al., 1995). The following primer sets were used to PCR each ORF from pCPP3091, which carries in pBSKSII+ a *Bam*H1 fragment containing *tgt* to *hrcV*:

30 ORF1, SEQ. ID. Nos. 75 and 76, respectively:

agtaggatcc tgaaatgtag gggcccgg	28
agtaaagctt atgatgctgt ttccagta	28
ORF2, SEO. ID. Nos. 77 and 78, respectively:	

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35 agtaggatcc tctcgaagga atggagca

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	agtaaagctt cgtgaagatg catttcgc	28
	ORF3, SEQ. ID. Nos. 79 and 80, respectively: agtaggatcc tagtcactga tcgaacgt	28
5	agtactcgag ccacgaaata acacggta	28
	ORF4, SEQ. ID. Nos. 81 and 82, respectively:	
	agtaggatcc caggactgcc ttccagcg	28
	agtactcgag cagageggeg teegtgge	28
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	tnpA, SEQ. ID. Nos. 83 and 84, respectively:	
	agtaggatcc agaattgttg aagaaatc	28
	agtaaagctt tgcgctgtta actcatcg	28

15 Plant Bioassays:

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Tobacco (Nicotiana tabacum L. ev. Xanthi) and tomato (Lycopersicon esculentum Mill. cvs. Moneymaker and Rio Grande) were grown under greenhouse conditions and then maintained at 25°C with daylight and supplemental halide illumination for HR and virulence assays. Bacteria were grown overnight on King's medium B agar supplemented with appropriate antibiotics, suspended in 5 mM MES pH 5.6, and then infiltrated with a needleless syringe into the leaves of test plants at 108 cfu/ml for HR assays and 104 cfu/ml for pathogenicity assays (Charkowski et al., 1998). All assays were repeated at least four times on leaves from different plants. Bacterial growth in tomato leaves was assayed by excising disks from infiltrated areas with a cork borer, comminuting the tissue in 0.5 ml of 5 mM MES, pH 5.6, with a Kontes Pellet Pestle (Fisher Scientific, Pittsburgh, PA), and then dilution plating the homogenate on King's medium B agar with 50 µg/ml rifampicin and 2 µg/ml cycloheximide to determine bacterial populations. The mean and SD from three leaf samples were determined for each time point. The relative growth in planta of DC3000 and CUCPB5110 was similarly assayed in 4 independent experiments and the relative growth of DC3000, CUCPB5115, and CUCPB5115(pCPP3016) in 3 independent experiments. Although the final population levels achieved by DC3000 varied between experiments, the

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populations levels of the mutants relative to the wild type were the same as in the representative experiments presented below.

Example 1 - Comparison of hrp/hrc Gene Clusters of Psy 61, Psy B728a, and Pto DC3000

To determine if the hrp/hrc clusters from Psy B728a and Pto DC3000 were organized similarly to the previously characterized hrp/hrc cluster of Psy 61, two cosmids carrying hrp/hrc inserts were partially characterized. pCPP2346 carries the entire hrp/hrc cluster of B728a, and pCPP2473 carries the left half of the hrp/hrccluster of DC3000. The right half of the DC3000 hrp/hrc cluster had been characterized previously (Preston et al., 1995). Sequencing the ends of several subclones derived from these cosmids provided fingerprints of the B728a and DC3000 hrp/hrc clusters, which indicated that both are arranged like that of strain 61 (Fig. 1). However, B728a contains between hrcU and hrpV a 3.6-kb insert with homologs of bacteriophage lambda genes Ea59 (23% amino-acid identity; E = 2e-7) and Ea31 (30% amino-acid identity; E = 6e-8) (Hendrix et al., 1983), and the B728a hrcU ORF has 36 additional codons. A possible insertion of this size in several Psy strains that are highly virulent on bean was suggested by a previous RFLP analysis (Legard et al., 1993). Cosmid pCPP2346, which contains the B728a hrp/hrc region and flanking sequences (4 kb on the left and 13 kb on the right), enabled P. fluorescens to secrete the B728a HrpZ harpin in culture and to elicit the HR in tobacco leaves, however, confluent necrosis developed more slowly than with P. fluorescens(pHIR11) (data not shown). To further test the relatedness of the Psy 61 and B728a hrp/hrc gene clusters using an internal reference, the B728a hrpA gene was sequenced. Of the hrp/hrc genes that have been sequenced in Psy and Pto, hrpA, which encodes the major subunit of the Hrp pilus (Roine et al., 1997), is the least conserved (28% amino-acid identity) (Preston et al., 1995). However, the hrpA genes of strains 61 and B728a were 100% identical, which further supports the close relationship of these strains and their Hrp systems.

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Example 2 - Identification of an Exchangeable Effector Locus (EEL) in the Hrp Pai between hrpK and tRNA^{Leu}

Sequence analysis of the left side of the Psy 61, Psy B728a, and Pto DC3000 Hrp Pais revealed that the high percentage identity in hrpK sequences in these strains abruptly terminates three nucleotides after the hrpK stop codon and then is restored near tRNA^{Leu}, queA, and tgt sequences after 2.5 kb (Psy 61), 7.3 kb (Psy B728a), or 5.9 kb (Pto DC3000) of dissimilar, intervening DNA (Figure 2). The difference between Psy strains 61 and B728a in this region was particularly surprising. This region of the P. syringae Hrp Pai was given the EEL designation because it contained completely different effector protein genes (Table 1 below), which appear to be exchanged at this locus at a high frequency. In this regard, it is noteworthy that (i) ORF2 in the B728a EEL is a homolog of avrPphE, which is in a different location, immediately downstream of hrpK (hrpY), in Pph 1302A (Mansfield et al., 1994), (ii) hopPsyA (hrmA) is present in only a few Psy strains (Heu and Hutcheson, 1993; Alfano et al., 1997), (iii) and ORF5 in the B728a EEL predicts a protein that is similar to Xanthomonas AvrBsT and possesses multiple motifs characteristic of the AvrRxv family (Ciesiolka et al., 1999). G+C content different from the genomic average is a hallmark of horizontally transferred genes, and the G+ C contents of the ORFs in the three EELs are considerably lower than the average of 59-61% for P. syringae (Palleroni et al., 1984) (Table 1 below). They are also lower than hrpK (60%) and queA (63-64%). The ORFs in the Pto DC3000 EEL predict no products with similarity to known effector proteins, however T7 polymerasedependent expression revealed products in the size range predicted for ORF1, ORF3, and ORF4. Furthermore, the ORF1 protein is secreted in a hrp-dependent manner by E. coli(pCPP2156), which expresses an Erwinia chrysanthemi Hrp system that secretes P. syringae Avr proteins (Ham et al., 1998). Several ORFs in these EELs are preceded by Hrp boxes indicative of HrpL-activated promoters (Figure 1) (Xiao and Hutcheson, 1994), and the lack of intervening Rho-independent terminator sequences or promoters suggests that ORF1 in DC3000 and ORF1 and ORF2 in B728a are expressed from HrpL-activated promoters upstream of the respective hrpK genes.

The EELs of these three strains also contain sequences homologous to insertion sequences, transposases, phage integrase genes, and plasmids (Figure 2 and Table 1 below). The *Psy* B728a ORF5 and ORF6 operon is bordered on the left side

by sequences similar to those in a *Pph* plasmid that carries several *avr* genes (Jackson et al., 1999) and by a sequence homologous to insertion elements that are typically found on plasmids, suggesting plasmid integration via an IS element in this region (Szabo and Mills, 1984). *Psy* B728a ORF3 and ORF4 show similarity to sequences implicated in the horizontal acquisition of the LEE Pai by pathogenic *E. coli* strains (Perna et al., 1998). These *Psy* B728a ORFs are not preceded by Hrp boxes and are unlikely to encode effector proteins.

Table 1: ORFs and fragments of genetic elements in the EELs of Pto DC3000, Psy B728a, and

Psy 61 and similarities with known avr genes and mobile genetic elements.

ORF or	%	Size	BLAST E value with representative similar sequence(s) in
sequence	G+C_		database, or relevant feature
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Pto DC3000 ^a		1.00	1 (A1C
ORF1	55	466 aa	Hrp-secreted (Alfano, unpublished)
TnpA'	55	279 aa	1e-125 P. stutzeri TnpA1 (Bosch et al., 1999)
ORF2	51	241 aa	None
ORF3	53	138 aa	None
ORF4	47	136 aa	None
Psy B728a			
ORF1	51	323 aa	9e-40 Pph AvrPphC (Yucel et al., 1994)
ORF2	58	382 aa	1e-154 Pph AvrPphE (Mansfield et al., 1994)
ORF3	55	507 aa	2e-63 E. coli L0015 (Perna et al., 1998)
ORF4	55	118 aa	9e-9 E. coli L0014 (Perna et al., 1998)
ORF5	49	411 aa	1e-4 Xcv AvrBsT (Ciesiolka et al., 1999)
ORF6	52	120 aa	None
B plasmid	46	96 nt	1e-25 <i>Pph</i> pAV511 (Jackson et al., 1999)
IntA'	59	49 aa	3e-5 E. coli CP4-like integrase (Perna et al., 1998)
Psy 61			
HopPsyA	53	375 aa	Hrp-secreted Avr (Alfano et al., 1997; van Dijk et al., 1999)
ShcA	57	112 aa	6e-4 Y0008 (Perry et al., 1998)

^a Pathovar abbreviations correspond to the recommendations of Vivian and Mansfield (1993) for uniform *avr* nomenclature.

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The left border of the EELs contains sequences similar to many tRNA^{Leu} genes and to *E. coli queA* and *tgt* queuosine biosynthesis genes (ca. 70% amino-acid identity in predicted products). The EEL sequences terminate at the 3' end of the *P. syringae* tRNA sequences, as is typical for Pais (Hou, 1999). Virtually identical *tgt-queA*-tRNA^{Leu} sequences are found in the genome of *P. aeruginosa* PAO1 (www.pseudomonas.com), which is also in the fluorescent pseudomonad group. But PAO1 is not a plant pathogen, and this tRNA^{Leu} in *P. aeruginosa* is not

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linked to any type III secretion system genes or other genes in the Hrp Pai (Figure 2). Thus, this is the apparent point of insertion of the Hrp Pai in the ancestral *Pseudomonas* genome.

5 <u>Example 3</u> - Identification of a Conserved Effector locus (CEL) Located on the Right Side of the Hrp Pai in *Psy* B728a and *Pto* DC3000

Previous studies of the region to the right of *hrpR* in DC3000 had revealed the existence of the *avrE* locus, which is comprised of two transcriptional units (Lorang and Keen, 1995), the 5' sequences for the first 4 transcriptional units beyond *hrpR* (Lorang and Keen, 1995), and the identity of the fourth transcriptional unit as the *hrpW* gene encoding a second harpin (Charkowski et al., 1998). The DNA sequence of the first 14 ORFs to the right of *hrpR* in *Pto* DC3000 was completed in this investigation and the corresponding region in *Psy* B728a was partially sequenced (Figure 3). Like the EEL, this region contains putative effector genes, e.g., *avrE* (Lorang and Keen, 1995). Unlike the EEL, the ORFs in this region have an average G + C content of 58.0%, which is close to that of the *hrp/hrc* genes, the region contains no sequences similar to known mobile genetic elements, and it appears conserved between *Psy* and *Pto* (Figure 3). Comparison of the regions sequenced in B728a and DC3000 revealed that the first 7 ORFs are arranged identically and have an average DNA sequence identity of 78%. Hence, this region was given the CEL designation.

The precise border of the CEL remains undefined, and no sequences that were repeated in the EEL border of the Hrp Pai were found. ORF7 and ORF8 are likely to be part of the CEL, based on the presence of an upstream Hrp box (Figure 3). However, the region beyond ORF10 probably is not in the CEL because the product of the next ORF shows homology to a family of bacterial GstA proteins (e.g., 28% identity with E. coli GstA over 204 amino acids; E = 1e-8)(Blattner et al., 1997), and glutathione-S-transferase activity is common in nonpathogenic fluorescent pseudomonads (Zablotowicz et al., 1995). The presence of a galP homolog (38% identity over 256 amino acids, based on incomplete sequence, to E. coli GalP; E = 2e-42) (Blattner et al., 1997) in this region further suggests that it is beyond the CEL.

Several other features of this region in B728a and DC3000 are noteworthy. (i) Both strains have a 1-kb intergenic region between *hrpR* and ORF1

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that is distinguished by low sequence identity (44%) but which contains three inverted repeats that could form stem loop structures affecting expression of the hrpRS operon. (ii) ORF1 is most similar to E. coli murein lytic transglycosylase MltD (38% identity over 324 amino acids; E = 4e-56). (iii) ORF2 is 42% identical over 130 amino acids with E. amylovora DspF (E = 9e-24), a candidate chaperone (Bogdanove et al., 1998a; Gaudriault et al., 1997). (iv) The ORF5 protein is secreted in a hrp-dependent manner by E. coli(pCPP2156), but mutation with an Ω Sp r cassette has little effect on either HR elicitation in tobacco or pathogenicity in tomato (Charkowski, unpublished). (v) Finally, six operons in this region are preceded by Hrp boxes (Lorang and Keen, 1995) (Figure 3), which is characteristic of known avr genes in P. syringae (Alfano et al., 1996). Thus, the CEL carries multiple candidate effectors.

Example 4 - Investigation of EEL and CEL Roles in Pathogenicity

A mutation was constructed in DC3000 that replaced all of the ORFs between hrpK and $tRNA^{Leu}$ (EEL) with an ΩSp^r cassette (Figure 2). This Pto mutant, CUCPB5110, was tested for its ability to elicit the HR in tobacco and to cause disease in tomato. The mutant retained the ability to elicit the HR and to produce disease symptoms, but it failed to reach population levels as high as the parental strain in tomato (Figure 4A).

A mutation was constructed in DC3000 that replaced avrE through ORF5 (CEL) with an ΩSp^{r} cassette. This deleted all of the CEL ORFs that were both partially characterized and likely to encode effectors. This Pto mutant, CUCPB5115, still elicited the HR in tobacco, but tissue collapse was delayed ca. 5 h (Figure 4C). The mutant no longer elicited disease symptoms in tomato when infiltrated at a concentration of 10^4 cfu/ml, and growth $in\ planta$ was strongly reduced (Figure 4B). However, the mutant elicited an HR dependent on the tomato $Pto\ R$ gene that was indistinguishable from the wild-type in tests involving PtoS (susceptible) and PtoR (resistant) Rio Grande tomato lines. Plasmid pCPP3016, which carries ORF2 through ORF10, fully restored the ability of CUCPB5115 to cause disease symptoms and partially restored the ability of the mutant to multiply in tomato leaves (Figures 4B and 4E). Deletion of the hrp/hrc cluster abolishes HR and pathogenicity phenotypes in $Pto\ DC3000$ (Collmer et al., 2000). To confirm that the large deletions in Pto

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mutants CUCPB5110 and CUCPB5115 did not disrupt Hrp secretion functions, we compared the ability of these mutants, the DC3000 *hrp/hrc* deletion mutant, and wild-type DC3000 to make and secrete AvrPto in culture while retaining a cytoplasmic marker comprised of β-lactamase lacking its signal peptide. AvrPto provided an ideal subject for this test because it is a well-studied effector protein that is secreted in culture and injected into host cells *in planta* (Alfano and Collmer, 1997; van Dijk et al., 1999). Only the *hrp/hrc* deletion cluster mutant was impaired in AvrPto production and secretion (Figure 5).

Based on the above studies, the *P. syringae hrp/hrc* genes are part of a Hrp Pai that has three distinct loci: an EEL, the *hrp/hrc* gene cluster, and a CEL. The EEL harbors exchangeable effector genes and makes only a quantitative contribution to parasitic fitness in host plants. The *hrp/hrc* locus encodes the Hrp secretion system and is required for effector protein delivery, parasitism, and pathogenicity. The CEL makes no discernible contribution to Hrp secretion functions but contributes strongly to parasitic fitness and is required for *Pto* pathogenicity in tomato. The Hrp Pai of *P. syringae* has several properties of Pais possessed by animal pathogens (Hacker et al., 1997), including the presence of many virulence-associated genes (several with relatively low G+C content) in a large (ca. 50-kb) chromosomal region linked to a tRNA locus and absent from the corresponding locus in a closely related species. In addition, the EEL portion of the Hrp Pai is unstable and contains many sequences related to mobile genetic elements.

The EEL is a novel feature of known Pais, which is likely involved in fine-tuning the parasitic fitness of *P. syringae* strains with various plant hosts. By comparing closely- and distantly-related strains of *P. syringae*, we were able to establish the high instability of this locus and the contrasting high conservation of its border sequences. No single mechanism can explain the high instability, as we found fragments related to phages, insertion sequences, and plasmids in the *Psy* and *Pto* EELs, and insertion sequences were recently reported in the corresponding region of three other *P. syringae* strains (Inoue and Takikawa, 1999). The mechanism or significance of the localization of the EELs between tRNA^{Leu} and *hrpK* sequences in the Hrp Pais also is unclear. *Pto* DC3000 carries at least one other effector gene, *avrPto*, that is located elsewhere in the genome (Ronald et al., 1992), many

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P. syringae avr genes are located on plasmids (Leach and White, 1996), and the EEL ORFs represent a mix of widespread, (e.g., avrRxv family) and seemingly rare (e.g., hopPsyA), effector genes. The G+C content of the EEL ORFs is significantly lower than that of the rest of the Hrp Pai and the P. syringae genome. Although certain genes in the non-EEL portions of the Hrp Pai, such as hrpA, are highly divergent, they have a high G+C content, and there is no evidence that they have been horizontally transferred separately from the rest of the Hrp Pai. The relatively low G+C content of the ORFs in the EELs (and of other P. syringae avr genes) suggests that these genes may be horizontally acquired from a wider pool of pathogenic bacteria than just P. syringae (Kim et al., 1998). Indeed, the avrRxv family of genes is found in a wide range of plant and animal pathogens (Ciesiolka et al., 1999). The weak effect on parasitic fitness of deleting the Pto DC3000 EEL, or of mutating hopPsyA (hrmA) in Psy 61 (Huang et al., 1991), is typical of mutations in individual avr genes and presumably results from redundancy in the effector protein system (Leach and White, 1996).

The functions of hrpK and of the CEL ORF1 are unclear but warrant discussion. These two ORFs reside just outside the hrpL and hrpR delimited cluster of operons containing both hrp and hrc genes and thereby spatially separate the three regions of the Hrp Pai (Figures 1-3). hrpK mutants have a variable Hrp phenotype (Mansfield et al., 1994; Bozso et al., 1999), and a Psy B728a hrpK mutant still secretes HrpZ (Alfano, unpublished), which suggests that HrpK may be an effector protein. Nevertheless, the HrpK proteins of Psy 61 and Pto DC3000 are 79% identical and therefore are more conserved than many Hrp secretion system components. It is also noteworthy that hrpK appears to be in an operon with other effector genes in Psy B728a and Pto DC3000. In contrast, the CEL ORF1 may contribute (weakly or redundantly) to Hrp secretion functions by promoting penetration of the system through the bacterial peptidoglycan layer. The ORF1 product has extensive homology with E. coli MltD and shares a lysozyme-like domain with the product of ipgF (Mushegian et al., 1996), a Shigella flexneri gene that is also located between loci encoding a type III secretion system and effector proteins (Allaoui et al., 1993). Mutations in these genes in Pto and S. flexneri have no

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obvious phenotype (Lorang and Keen, 1995; Allaoui et al., 1993), as is typical for genes encoding peptidoglycan hydrolases (Dijkstra and Keck, 1996).

The loss of pathogenicity in Pto mutant CUCPB5115, with an avrE-ORF5 deletion in the CEL, was surprising because pathogenicity is retained in DC3000 mutants in which the corresponding operons are individually disrupted (Lorang and Keen, 1995; Charkowski et al., 1998). In assessing the possible function of this region and the conservation of its constituent genes, it should be noted that avrE is unlike other avr genes found in Pto in that it confers avirulence to P. syringae pv glycinea on all tested soybean cultivars and it has a homolog (dspE) in E. amylovora that is required for pathogenicity (Lorang and Keen, 1995; Bogdanove et al., 1998b). Although the CEL is required for pathogenicity, it is not essential for type III effector protein secretion because the mutant still secretes AvrPto. It also appears to play no essential role in type III translocation of effector proteins into plant cells because the mutant still elicits the HR in nonhost tobacco and in a PtoRresistance tomato line, and pHIR11, which lacks this region, appears capable of translocating several Avr proteins (Gopalan et al., 1996; Pirhonen et al., 1996). The conservation of this region in the divergent pathovars Psy and Pto, and its importance in disease, suggests that the products of the CEL may be redundantly involved in a common, essential aspect of pathogenesis.

The similar G + C content and codon usage of the *hrp/hrc* genes, the genes in the CEL, and total *P. syringae* genomic DNA suggests that the Hrp Pai was acquired early in the evolution of *P. syringae*. Although, the EEL region may have similarly developed early in the radiation of *P. syringae* into its many pathovars, races, and strains, the apparent instability that is discussed above suggests ongoing rapid evolution at this locus. Indeed, many *P. syringae avr* genes are associated with mobile genetic elements, regardless of their location (Kim et al., 1998). Thus, it appears that Hrp-mediated pathogenicity in *P. syringae* is collectively dependent on a set of genes that are universal among divergent pathovars and on another set that varies among strains even in the same pathovar. The latter are presumably acquired and lost in response to opposing selection pressures to promote parasitism while evading host *R*-gene surveillance systems.

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Example 5 - Role of ShcA as a Type III Chaperone for the HopPsyA Effector

The ORF upstream of hopPsyA, tentatively named shcA, encodes a protein product of the predicted molecular mass. The ORF upstream of the hopPsyA gene in P. s. syringae 61 (originally designated ORF1) shares sequence identity with exsC and ORF7, which are genes adjacent to type III effector genes in P. aeruginosa and Yersinia pestis, respectively (Frank and Iglewski, 1991; Perry et al., 1998). Although neither of these ORFs have been shown experimentally to encode chaperones, they have been noted to share properties that type III chaperones often possess (Cornellis et al., 1998). One of these properties is the location of the chaperone gene itself (Figures 1 and 6). Chaperone genes are often adjacent to a gene that encodes the effector protein with which the chaperone interacts. Furthermore, shcA also shares other common characteristics of type III chaperones: its protein product is relatively small (about 14 kDa), it has an acidic pI, and it has a C-terminal region that is predicted to be an amphipathic α -helix. To begin assessing the function of shcA, it was first determined whether shcA encodes a protein product. A construct was prepared using PCR that fused shcA in-frame to a sequence encoding the FLAG epitope. This construct, pLV26, contains the nucleotide sequence upstream of shcA, including a putative ribosome binding site (RBS). DH5αF'IQ(pLV26) cultures were grown in rich media and induced at the appropriate density with IPTG. Whole cell lysates were separated by SDS-PAGE and analyzed with immunoblots using anti-FLAG antibodies. By comparing the ShcA-FLAG encoded by pLV26 to a construct that made ShcA-FLAG from a vector RBS, it was concluded that the native RBS upstream of shcA was competent for translation (Figure 7). Thus, the shcA ORF is a legitimate gene that encodes a protein product.

To test the effects of *shcA* on bacterial-plant interactions, an *shcA* mutation was constructed in the minimalist *hrp/hrc* cluster carried on cosmid pHIR11. There are distinct advantages to having the *shcA* mutation marker-exchanged into pHIR11. The main one is that the HR assay can be used as a screen to determine if HopPsyA is being translocated into plant cells because the pHIR11-dependent HR requires the delivery of HopPsyA into plant cells (Alfano et al., 1996; Alfano et al., 1997). With the chromosomal *shcA* mutant, other Hop proteins would probably be delivered to the interior of plant cells. Some of these proteins would be recognized by

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the *R* gene-based plant surveillance system and initiate an HR masking any defect in HopPsyA delivery. *E. coli* MC4100 carrying pLV10, a pHIR11 derivative, which contains a nonpolar *nptII* cartridge within *shcA*, was unable to elicit an HR on tobacco (Figure 8). This indicates that *shcA* is required for the translocation of HopPsyA into plant cells. To determine if HopPsyA was secreted in culture, cultures of the nonpathogen *P. fluorescens* 55 were grown. This bacterium carried either pHIR11, pCPP2089 (a pHIR11 derivative defective in type III secretion), or pLV10. The representative results can be seen in Figure 8. *shcA* was required for the in-culture type III secretion of the HopPsyA effector protein, but not for HrpZ secretion, another protein secreted by the pHIR11 encoded Hrp system. These results indicate that the defect in type III secretion is specific to HopPsyA and are consistent with *shcA* encoding a chaperone for HopPsyA. It was after these results that the ORF upstream of the *hopPsyA* gene was named *shcA* for specific hop chaperone for HopPsyA, a naming system consistent with the naming system researchers have employed for chaperones in the archetypal *Yersinia* type III system.

Example 6 - Cytotoxic Effects of hopPsyA Expressed in Plants

Transient expression of hopPsyA DNA in planta induces cell death in Nicotiana tabacum, but not in N. benthamiana, bean, or in Arabidopsis. To determine whether HopPsyA induced cell death on tobacco leaves as it did when produced in tobacco suspension cells, a transformation system that delivers the hopPsyA gene on T-DNA of Agrobacterium tumefaciens was used (Rossi et al., 1993; van den Ackerveken et al., 1996). This delivery system works better than biolistics for transiently transforming whole plant leaves. For these experiments, vector pTA7002, kindly provided by Nam-Hai Chua and his colleagues at Rockefeller University, was used. The unique property of this vector is that it contains an inducible expression system that uses the regulatory mechanism of the glucocorticoid receptor (Picard et al., 1988; Aoyama and Chua, 1997; McNellis et al., 1998). pTA7002 encodes a chimeric transcription factor consisting of the DNA-binding domain of GAL4, the transactivating domain of the herpes viral protein VP16, and the receptor domain of the rat glucocorticoid receptor. Also contained on this vector is a promoter containing GAL4 upstream activating sequences (UAS) upstream of a multiple cloning site.

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Thus, any gene cloned downstream of the promoter containing the GAL4-UAS is induced by glucocorticoids, of which a synthetic glucocorticoid, dexamethasone (DEX), is available commercially. hopPsyA was PCR-cloned downstream of the GAL4-UAS. Plant leaves from several different test plants were infiltrated with Argrobacterium carrying pTA7002::hopPsyA and after 48 hours these plants were sprayed with DEX. Only N. tabacum elicited an HR in response to the DEX-induced transient expression of hopPsyA (Figure 13A). In contrast, N. benthamiana produced no obvious response after DEX induction (Figure 13B). Moreover, transient expression of hopPsyA in bean plants (Phaseolus vulgaris L. 'Eagle')(data not shown) and Arabidopsis thaliana ecotype Col-1 (Figure 13) did not result in a HR. These results suggest that bean cv. Eagle, Arabidopsis Col-1, and N. benthamiana lack a resistance protein that can recognize HopPsyA. The lack of an apparent defense response for HopPsyA transiently expressed in bean was predicted, because HopPsyA is normally produced in P. s. syringae 61, a pathogen of bean. But, it was somewhat unknown how transient expression of HopPsyA would effect Arabidopsis. However, since P. s. tomato DC3000, a pathogen of Arabidopsis, appears to have a hopPsyA homolog based on DNA gel blots using hopPsyA as a probe, it was expected that HopPsyA would not to be recognized by an R protein in Arabidopsis (i.e., no HR produced) (Alfano et al., 1997). Thus, these plants (bean, Arabidopsis, and N. benthamiana) should represent ideal plants to explore the bacterial-intended role of HopPsyA in plant pathogenicity.

P.s. pv. syringae 61 secretes HopPsyA in culture via the Hrp (type III) protein secretion system. Because the P. syringae Avr proteins AvrB and AvrPto were found to be secreted by the type III secretion system encoded by the functional E. chrysanthemi hrp cluster carried on cosmid pCPP2156 expressed in E. coli (Ham et al., 1998), detection of HopPsyA secretion in culture directly via the native Hrp system carried in P. s. syringae 61 was tested. P. s. syringae 61 cultures grown in hrp-derepressing fructose minimal medium at 22°C were separated into cell-bound and supernatant fractions by centrifugation. Proteins present in the supernatant fractions were concentrated by TCA precipitation, and the cell-bound and supernatant samples were resolved with SDS-PAGE and analyzed with immunoblots using anti-HopPsyA antibodies. A HopPsyA signal was detected in supernatant fractions from

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wild type *P. s. syringae* 61 (Figure 14). Importantly, HopPsyA was not detected in supernatant fractions from *P. s. syringae* 61-2089, which is defective in Hrp secretion, indicating that the HopPsyA signal in the supernatant was due specifically to type III protein secretion (Figure 14). As a second control, both strains contained pCPP2318, which encodes the mature β-lactamase lacking its N-terminal signal peptide, and provides a marker for cell lysis. β-lactamase was detected only in the cell-bound fractions of these samples, clearly showing that cell lysis did not occur at a significant level (Figure 14). The fact that HopPsyA is secreted via the type III secretion system in culture and that the avirulence activity of HopPsyA occurs only when it is expressed in plant cells strongly support that HopPsyA is delivered into plant cells via the type III pathway.

HopPsyA contributes in a detectable, albeit minor, way to growth of P. s. syringae 61 in bean. The effect of a HopPsyA mutation on the multiplication of P. s. syringae 61 in bean tissue has been reported (Huang et al., 1991). These data essentially indicate that HopPsyA contributes little to the ability of P. s. syringae 61 to multiply in bean. The P. s. syringae 61 hopPsyA mutant does not grow as well in bean leaves as the wild-type strain (Figure 15). This was unexpected, because these results are in direct conflict with previously reported data. One rationale for the discrepancy is that the previous reports focused primarily on the major phenotype that a hrp mutant exhibits on in planta growth and predated the discovery that HopPsyA was a type III-secreted protein. Thus, it is quite possible that the earlier experiments missed the more subtle effect that HopPsyA appears to have on the multiplication of P. s. syringae 61 in bean tissue (Huang et al., 1991). The data presented here supports that HopPsyA contributes to the pathogenicity of P. s. syringae and are consistent with the hypothesis that the majority of Hops from P. syringae contribute subtly to pathogenicity. The lack of strong pathogenicity phenotypes for mutants defective in different avr and hop genes may be due to possible avr/hop gene redundancy or a decreased dependence on any one Hop protein through coevolution with the plant. Indeed, the type III-delivered proteins of plant pathogens that are delivered into plant cells may not be virulence proteins per se, but rather they may suppress responses of the plant that are important for pathogenicity to proceed (Jakobek et al., 1993). These

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responses may be defense responses or other more general processes that maintain the status quo within the plant (e.g., the cell cycle).

Example 7 - Molecular Interactions of HopPsyA

HopPsyA interacts with the Arabidopsis Mad2 protein in the yeast 2hybrid system. To determine a pathogenic target for HopPsyA, the yeast 2-hybrid system was used with cDNA libraries made from Arabidopsis (Fields and Song, 1989; Finley and Brent, 1994). In the yeast 2-hybrid system, a fusion between the protein of interest (the "bait") and the LexA DNA-binding domain was transformed into a yeast tester strain. A cDNA expression library was constructed in a vector that creates fusions to a transcriptional activator domain. This library was transformed into the tester strain en masse, and clones encoding partners for the "bait" are selected via their ability to bring the transcriptional activator domain into proximity with the DNA binding domain, thus initiating transcription of the LEU2 selectable marker gene. A second round screening of candidates, that activate the LEU2 marker, relies on their ability to also activate a lacZ reporter gene. Bait constructs were initially made with hopPsyA in the yeast vector pEG202 that corresponded to a full-length HopPsyA-LexA fusion, the carboxy-terminal half of HopPsyA fused to LexA, and the aminoterminal half of HopPsyA fused to LexA, and named these constructs pLV23, pLV24, and pLV25, respectively. However, pLV23 was lethal to yeast and pLV25 activated the lacZ reporter gene in relatively high amounts on its own (i.e., without the activation domain present). Thus, both pLV23 and pLV25 were not used to screen for protein interactors via the yeast 2-hybrid system. pLV24, which contains the 3' portion of hopPsyA fused to lexA, proved to be an appropriate construct to use for bait in the yeast 2-hybrid system, because it did not autoactivate the lacZ reporter gene and, based on the lacZ repression assay using pJK101, the 'HopPsyA-LexA fusion produced by pLV24 appeared to localize to the nucleus. In addition, it was confirmed that pLV24 made a protein of the appropriate size that corresponds to HopPsyA by performing immunoblots with anti-HopPsyA antibodies on yeast cultures carrying this vector.

Initial screens with pLV24 and *Arabidopsis* cDNA libraries in the yeast 2-hybrid vector pJG4-5. From three independent screens, several hundred

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putative interactors with HopPsyA were identified, each activating the two reporter systems to varying degrees. When these putative positive yeast strains were rescreened and criteria were limited to interactors that strongly induced both the lacZ reporter and LEU2 gene in the presence of galactose, about 50 yeast strains were identified that appeared to contain pJG4-5 derivatives that encoded proteins that could interact with the C-terminal half of HopPsyA. DNA gel blots using PCR-amplified inserts from selected pJG4-5 derivatives as probes allowed each of these putative positives to be grouped. Approximately 50% of the pJG4-5 derivatives that encoded strong HopPsyA interactors belonged to the same group. A pJG4-5 derivative containing this insert, pLV116 was sequenced. The predicted amino acid sequence of the insert contained within pLV116 shared high amino acid identity to Mad2 homologs (for mitotic arrest deficient) found in yeast, humans, frogs, and corn. Moreover, based on amino acid comparison with the other Mad2 proteins, pLV116 contains a cDNA insert that corresponds to the full-length mad2 mRNA. Table 2 below shows the amino acid percent identity of all of the Mad2 homologs currently in the databases.

Table 2: Percent Amino Acid Sequence Identity Between Different Mad2 Homologs*

Mad2	Arabidopsis	Corn	Human	Mouse	Frog	Fission	Budding
Homolog						Yeast	Yeast
Arabidopsis							
Corn	81.3						
Human	44.4	44.9					
Mouse	45.4	45.9	94.6				
Frog	43.3	42.9	78.3	77.3			
Fission	40.4	41.9	43.8	43.8	46.3		
Yeast							
Budding	38.3	38.8	39.3	39.3	39.8	45.4	
Yeast							

^{*} Comparisons were made with the MEGALIGN program at DNAStar (Madison, WI) using sequences present in Genbank. Abbreviations and accession numbers are as follows: *Arabidopsis*, *A. thaliana* Col-0 (this work); Corn, *Zea mays* (AAD30555); Human, *Homo sapiens* (NP_002349); Mouse, *Mus musculus* (AAD09238); Frog, *Xenopus laevis*, (AAB41527); Fission yeast, *Schizosaccharomyces pombe* (AAB68597); Budding yeast, *Saccharamoyces cerevisiae* (P40958).

Not unexpectedly, the sequence of the *Arabidopsis* Mad2 protein is more closely related to the corn Mad2, the only plant Mad2 homolog represented in the databases. The corn Mad2 is about 82% identical to the *Arabidopsis* Mad2. Figures 16A-B show yeast strains containing either pLV24 and pJG4-5, pEG202 and pLV116, or pLV24

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and pLV116 on leucine drop-out plates and plates containing X-Gal, showing that only when both HopPsyA and Mad2 are present, β-galactosidase and *LEU2* activity are induced. It is important to note that the cDNA library that yielded *mad2* has been used for many different yeast 2-hybrid screens and a *mad2* clone has never been isolated from it before. Thus, the results shown in Figures 16A-B are unlikely to represent an artifact produced by the nature of the cDNA library. Moreover, different Mad2 homologs are known to interact with specific proteins and one of these homologs was isolated with a yeast 2-hybrid screen using a protein of the spindle checkpoint as bait (Kim et al., 1998). This is reassuring for two reasons. First, other Mad2 homologs do not appear to be nonspecifically "sticky" proteins. Second, they appear to modulate cellular processes through protein-protein interactions.

The above results are very promising, because Mad2 is a regulator controlling the transition from metaphase to anaphase during mitosis, a key step in the cell cycle of eukaryotes. The eukaryotic cell cycle is dependent on the completion of earlier events before another phase of the cell cycle can be initiated. For example, before mitosis can occur DNA replication has to be completed. Some of these dependencies in the cell cycle can be relieved by mutations and represent checkpoints that insure the cell cycle is proceeding normally (Hartwell and Weinert, 1989). In pioneering work, Hoyt et al. and Li and Murray independently discovered that there is a checkpoint in place in Saccharomyces cerevisiae to monitor whether the spindle assembly required for chromosome segregation is completed (Hoyt et al., 1991; Li and Murray, 1991). This so-called spindle checkpoint was discovered when the observation was made that wild-type yeast cells plated onto media containing drugs that disrupt microtubule polymerization arrested in mitosis, whereas certain mutants proceeded into anaphase. These initial reports identified 6 different nonessential genes that are involved in the spindle checkpoint: bub1-3 named for budding uninhibited by benzimidazole and mad1-3 for mitotic arrest deficient. Mutations in these genes ignore spindle assembly abnormalities and attempt mitosis regardless. In the years since, the spindle checkpoint has been shown to be conserved in other eukaryotes and many advances have occurred resulting in a better picture of what is taking place at the spindle checkpoint (Glotzer, 1996; Rudner and Murray, 1996).

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(Hardwick et al., 1996).

Required for the transition from metaphase to anaphase (as well as other cell cycle transitions) is the ubiquitin proteolysis pathway. Proteins that inhibit entry into anaphase (e.g., Pds1 in S. cerevisiae) are tagged for degradation via the ubiquitin pathway by the anaphase-promoting complex (APC) (King et al., 1996). Only when these proteins are degraded by the 26S proteosome are the cells allowed to cycle to anaphase. Although it is not well understood how the APC knows when to tag the anaphase inhibitors for degradation, there have been several important advances (Elledge, 1996; Elledge, 1998; Hardwick, 1998). The Mad2 protein and the Bub1 protein kinase have been shown to bind to kinetochores when these regions are not attached to microtubules (Chen et al., 1996; Li and Benezra, 1996; Taylor and McKeon, 1997; Yu et al., 1999). Thus, these proteins appear to somehow relay a signal that all of the chromosomes are not bound to spindle fibers ready to separate. Mad1 encodes a phosphoprotein, which becomes hyperphosphorylated when the spindle checkpoint is activated and the hyperphosphorylation of Madl is dependent on functional Bub1, Bub3, and Mad2 proteins (Hardwick and Murray, 1995). Another required protein in this checkpoint is Mps1, a protein kinase that activates the spindle checkpoint when overexpressed in a manner that is dependent on all of the Bub and Mad proteins, indicating that Mps1 acts very early in the spindle checkpoint

Based on data from the different Mad2 homologs that have been studied, Mad2 appears to have a central role in the spindle checkpoint. Addition of Mad2 to *Xenopus* egg extracts results in inhibition of cyclin B degradation and mitotic arrest due to the inhibition of the ubiquitin ligase activity of the APC (Li et al., 1997). The overexpression of Mad2 from fission yeast causes mitotic arrest by activating the spindle checkpoint (He et al., 1997). Whereas, introducing anti-Mad2 antibodies into mammalian cell cultures causes early transition to anaphase in the absence of microtubule drugs, indicating that Mad2 is involved in the normal cell cycle. Several reports suggest that different Mad2 homologs directly interact with the APC (Li et al., 1997; Fang et al., 1998; Kallio et al., 1998). Another protein called Cdc20 in *S. cerevisiae* binds to the APC, is required for activation of the APC during certain cell cycles, and Mad2 binds to it (Hwang et al., 1998; Kim et al., 1998; Lorca et al., 1998; Wassmann and Benezra, 1998). The picture that is emerging from all of these exciting

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findings is that Mad2 acts as an inhibitor of the APC, probably by binding to Cdc20. When Mad2 is not present, the Cdc20 binds to the APC, which activates the APC to degrade inhibitors of the transition to anaphase. Figure 12 shows a summary of the spindle checkpoint focusing on Mad2's involvement and using the names of the spindle checkpoint proteins from *S. cerevisiae*.

The plant spindle checkpoint: A possible target of bacterial pathogens. Many of the cell cycle proteins from animals have homologs in plants (Mironov et al., 1999). In fact, one of the early clues that there existed a spindle checkpoint was first made in plants. The observation noted was that chromosomes that lagged behind in their attachment to the spindle caused a delay in the transition to anaphase (Bajer and Mole-Bajer, 1956). Moreover, *mad2* has been recently isolated from corn and the Mad2 protein localization in plant cells undergoing mitosis is consistent with the localization of Mad2 in other systems (Yu et al., 1999). Based on a published meeting report, genes that encode components of the APC from *Arabidopsis* have been recently cloned (Inze et al., 1999). Thus, it appears that a functional spindle checkpoint probably is conserved in plants. The data presented above shows that the *P. syringae* HopPsyA protein interacts with the *Arabidopsis* Mad2 protein in the yeast 2-hybrid system.

It is possible that a pathogenic strategy of a bacterial plant pathogen is to alter the plant cell cycle. Duan et al. recently reported that *pthA*, a member of the *avrBs3* family of *avr* genes from *X. citri*, is expressed in citrus and causes cell enlargement and cell division, which may implicate the plant cell cycle (Duan et al., 1999). If HopPsyA does target Mad2, at least two possible benefits to pathogenicity can be envisioned. Since plant cells in mature leaves are quiescent, one benefit of delivering HopPsyA into these cells may be that it may trigger cell division through its interaction with Mad2. This is consistent with the observation that anti-Mad2 antibodies cause an early onset of anaphase in mammalian cells (Gorbsky et al., 1998). More plant cells near the pathogen may increase the nutrients available in the apoplast. A second possible benefit may occur if HopPsyA is delivered into plant cells actively dividing in young leaves. Delivery of HopPsyA into plant cells of these leaves may derail the spindle checkpoint through its interaction with Mad2. These cells would be prone to more mistakes segregating their chromosomes; in some cells

this would result in death and the cellular contents would ultimately leak into the apoplast providing nutrients for the pathogen.

Example 8 - Cytotoxic Effects of HopPtoA and HopPsyA Expressed in Yeast

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Both hopPtoA (SEQ. ID. No. 6) and hopPsyA (SEQ. ID. No. 35) were first cloned into pFLAG-CTC (Kodak) to generate an in-frame fusion with the FLAG epitope, which permitted monitoring of protein production with anti-FLAG monoclonal antibodies. The FLAG-tagged genes were then cloned under the control of the GAL1 promoter in the yeast shuttle vector p415GAL1 (Mumberg et al., 1994). These regulatable promoters of Saccharomyces cerevisiae allowed comparison of transcriptional activity and heterologous expression. The recombinant plasmids were transformed into uracil auxotrophic yeast strains FY833/4, selecting for growth on SC-Ura (synthetic complete medium lacking uracil) based on the presence of the URA3 gene on the plasmid. The transformants were then streaked onto SC-Ura medium plates containing either 2% galactose (which will induce expression of HopPsyA and HopPtoA) or 2% glucose. No growth was observed on the plates supplemented with 2% galactose. This effect was observed with repeated testing and was not observed with empty vector controls, with four other effectors similarly cloned into p415GAL1, or when raffinose was used instead of galactose. FLAGtagged nontoxic Avr proteins were used to confirm that the genes were differentially expressed, as expected, on plates containing galactose. Importantly, the toxic effect with HopPsyA was observed when the encoding gene was recloned into p416GALS, which expresses foreign genes at a substantially lower level than p415GAL1.

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